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JACK GOES 'ON THE RUN' FOR ALDER HEY!

Report by **Henry James**

A BIG-hearted youngster from Skelmersdale is on course to raise an incredible four-figure sum for Alder Hey Children's Hospital by running 2km every day in October - come rain or shine!

Ten-year-old Jack Grady was so moved after watching a television programme about sick children being treated at the world-famous Liverpool hospital that he decided to do his bit to raise funds for the cause.

And after initially setting himself a modest target of £100 in sponsorship, he is already well on the way to the £1,000 mark with more than half that total already pledged barely a quarter of the way through his schedule.

By the end of the month, Jack, a pupil at Trinity CE/Methodist Primary in Kiln Lane, will have clocked up more than 38 miles.

And his parents are right behind his efforts. Dad, Ian, said: "Jack is determined to doing 2km every day in October - rain or shine, before school or after school.

Jack is aiming to run 2km every day in October in aid of Alder Hey Hospital.

"He has already raised more than £500 and his mum and I are so proud of him.

"2km might not seem a lot but for someone so young to show the dedication to do it every day for a month, we think, is out of this world.

"His first target was £100 and he smashed that in a couple of hours.

"Jack came up with the idea himself after he saw a programme on television and wanted to do something for poorly children.

"Although he has never needed Alder Hey, he says his children or grandchildren might need it at some point in the future.

"And Alder Hey have sent him posters and balloons to support him and they have promised that he can have a tour of the hospital after the fundraiser.

"He has already been to have a look at Alder Hey."

Meanwhile the family's local pub, the Derby Arms, have also chipped in raising £100 for him.

Jack's parents run with him on alternate days and some of his friends have also joined him. Now teachers at the school also plan to run with him and even his 63-year-old gran has taken part!

Jack, who is the sports council leader at school, runs from his home to the Greenhill, then around Trinity school and back home again. His fastest time to date is 12 minutes.

And he has set up his own Facebook page which is updated every day and he is trying to get as many people involved as possible.

The scene of the incident at Waverley.

Three more arrested after man set on fire in doorstep attack

THREE more men have been arrested by detectives investigating an attempted murder in Skelmersdale.

Police were called around 1am on Thursday, September 26 by the Ambulance Service after reports of a fire at a property in Waverley in the town.

Officers attended and found the homeowner - a 48-year-old man - at the scene suffering with serious burns. He was taken to hospital and remains in a critical but stable condition.

Detectives believe the victim was doused in some form of accelerant when he answered the door of his property, before being set on fire in a targeted attack.

Following initial enquiries a 35-year-old man from Liverpool and a 32-year-old man from Skelmersdale were arrested on suspicion of wounding, attempted murder and arson with intent to endanger life. They have been bailed until October 28.

A further three men have since been arrested.

A 22-year-old man from Liverpool was arrested and bailed until October 28 and a 31-year-old man, also from Liverpool, was arrested and bailed until October 29. Both were arrested on suspicion of wounding, attempted murder and arson with intent to endanger life.

A fifth man, also aged 31 and from Liverpool, was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder and later released with no charge.

Detective Chief Inspector Pauline Stables, of Lancashire Police's Major Investigation Team, said: "We are continuing with a number of enquiries to find those responsible for this horrendous attack.

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Hospital trust to hold drop-in recruitment event to fill more than 100 nursing roles

SOUTHPORT and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust is staging another drop-in recruitment event for registered nurses.

Suitably qualified candidates are invited to attend the event at Southport Hospital from 5 to 7pm on Thursday, October 17 where staff will hold interviews and answer questions.

Interested candidates can just turn up, or book in advance by calling 01695 656586 to speak to Karen, who will be happy to help and answer any questions.

Interviews will be held in the hospital's Clinical Education Centre, which is outside of the main hospital building. The trust is especially keen to speak to those wanting to return to the organisation, looking for flexible work patterns and anyone keen for a rotational post.

Thanks to a recent "substantial investment" in nursing staff, more than 100 roles are now available for nurses.

During the recruitment event, teams will be on hand to answer questions about different departments and what it is like to work at the trust.

Advice will also be available about career development and training. And NHS Professionals will be on hand for anyone looking for temporary roles with the nursing bank.

Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust is looking to fill more than 100 nursing roles.

Director of nursing, midwifery and therapies, Juliette Cosgrove, said: "We find recruitment events this like make the job application process easier for busy nurses or students. You can just pop along for an hour or so and potentially go home with a job offer.

"We are in a much stronger position now than in recent years, with increased investment in staffing, facilities and our buildings, which will help us to improve our service to match increasing demands.

"We are keen to talk to nurses in the area about the opportunities ahead for our trust and staff".

To apply in advance or to see other roles available at the trust, visit the website at https://www.southportandormskirk.nhs.uk/.

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The Cornbrook underpass which is often flooded and overgrown with weeds

Plea to council to clean up 'nightmare' underpass

Staff at nearby school say it is dangerous to use and past cleaning efforts have not solved problem

Report by **Henry James**

STAFF at Holland Moor School are pleading with the county council to clean up the Cornbrook underpass and make it safer to use.

Wendy Arnold, who is a teaching assistant, said the underpass is the only access for many parents, children and other adults to Holland Moor School.

She said: "The underpass is littered, smelly, very wet and definitely unsafe!

"I have tries to get the council to address the situation, but their response was to send a 'cleaner" and a two man crew to tidy the area but very little undergrowth had been touched.

"The underpass is neglected and a very unsafe passage.

"This connection is vital and is used every morning, afternoon and night by school children.

"The authorities should get it sorted, so that the public can use it safely.

"This underpass is a nightmare to use.

"I have, in the past, almost been mown down by a motorbike, been pinned up against the wall by a huge dog, found men urinating under it and been followed by a man.

"A few years ago a woman was dragged into the undergrowth and assaulted. It is a mugger's paradise.

"I dread my journey to work at Holland Moor School. Something has to be done about this disgraceful situation.

"The underpass is, dark, wet, litter strewn and extremely unsafe.

"I have, several times, brought it to the council's attention, nothing has been done."

A spokesman for Lancashire County Council responded: "While the subways in Skelmersdale are fundamental to the way the town was originally designed we will be seeking opportunities to fund better pedestrian facilities as the area develops in future

"We are aware of the subways being prone to flooding and carry out cyclic maintenance to manage this problem, however we will inspect the drains and foliage in response to the concerns raised."

Three more held over human blaze attack

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"While we have made five arrests we continue to appeal for information from members of the public.

"A man has been left with serious, life-changing injuries and remains in a very poorly condition at hospital.

"If you know anything about this attack and have yet to speak to police, I would urge you to search your conscience and come forward with information.

"No matter how small or seemingly insignificant, it could prove crucial to our inquiry. We need to find the people responsible for this dreadful crime.

"While we believe this to be a targeted attack, we do not believe there is any threat to the wider community at this time. I recognise the concern this and other incidents have had on the local community and patrols have been increased in the area.

"We need the public's help to find out who has done this so if anyone has any information, I would ask you contact us immediately."

Anyone with information can contact police on 101 quoting log 0068 of September 26 or independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or online at crimestoppers-uk.org.

Labour choose candidate for council by-election

BIRCH Green resident Sue Gregson has been chosen by Labour Party members in the ward to be Labour's candidate in the upcoming by-election.

The by-election has been triggered following Cllr Claire Cooper's resignation from the council.

Ms Gregson has lived in Birch Green for 45 years and has raised her family there and is a registered social worker and has worked in local government for more than 20 years primarily in hospitals and social care.

Sue Gregson

Men-Aces' marathon match raises £2.3k for disabled teen

MEMBERS of the Skelmersdale Men-Aces disability football team put their stamina to the test when they staged a 24-hour sponsored game in aid of a local disabled teenager.

The aim of the marathon match, held at West Lancashire College, was to raise funds for a walking frame for 17-year-old Paul Thompson.

And after completing their lung-busting task the Men-Aces were delighted to presented a cheque for £2,350 to Paul and his family towards the frame.

Carl and Mim Eaton from the Men-Aces said: "The walking frame will allow Paul to see the world from a standing position. And with the help from physios and doting family he will hopefully be able to take a massive step towards getting round the home."

The Men-Aces present the cheque for £2,350 to Paul Thompson and his family.

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Police and NFU team up for drop-in session aimed at reducing risk of rural crime

Report by **Kenny Parker**

TO mark Rural Crime Awareness Week (October 7 to 13), Lancashire Constabulary, together with the National Farmers Union, are hosting an event to raise awareness of what rural communities and businesses can do to reduce the risk of being victims of crime.

The free drop-in session, supported by the county's Police and Crime Commissioner, will be held on Thursday, October 10 between 10am and noon at Hilldale Village Hall, Parbold. It is open to all who live or have businesses in Parbold and the surrounding rural areas including Ormskirk, Newburgh, Mawdesley, Hoscar, Burscough and Rufford.

Almost three-quarters (74%) of Lancashire is classed as rural and the constabulary says that policing rural areas has unique challenges, especially in sparsely-populated areas.

A rural crime is a crime that takes place in a rural location and includes:

- Farm/agricultural-related crime - theft of/or damage to plant vehicles, equipment or livestock.
- Wildlife environmental-related crime - animal cruelty, poaching, badger baiting, killing or taking of wild birds or damage of protected habitats.
- Heritage-related crime - theft/damage or removal of articles from historic sites.
- Rural-related crime - day-to-day community criminality, including violence, damage and theft.

As well as awareness advice, those attending will have the chance to discuss any local rural issues or concerns with neighbourhood officers alongside a representative from the Lancashire Police and Crime Commissioner's office.

Rural, Wildlife and Heritage Crime Co-ordinator for Lancashire Constabulary, Lorraine Ellwood, said: "We know that for our rural communities the impact of crime can have more far-reaching effects than the value of the items stolen. For example, livelihoods can be significantly affected by the theft of agricultural machinery or livestock.

"This event gives us the opportunity to discuss with members of our rural communities the steps they can take to protect their homes and businesses to reduce the risk of this type of crime from occurring. We look forward to welcoming as many people as possible."

Lancashire Police are holding a drop-in session in Parbold as part of Rural Crime Awareness Week.

Meanwhile Lancashire Police have issued the following tips to protect rural homes or businesses:

- Review regularly your land and property to make sure that it is well-maintained and secure, for example make sure windows and door frames are secure and in good repair and fit good quality window locks and strong locks to sheds, garages and outbuildings.
- Ensure that all doors and windows are shut and locked when not in use.
- Install a visible burglar alarm.
- Consider security bars and grilles for vulnerable windows and openings.
- Make sure gates cannot be lifted off or have their fixing bolts removed.
- Check security equipment regularly to ensure it works properly.
- Use locking posts or temporary obstructions to control wide access points to yards.

Additionally, residents could also consider:

- Installing automatic security lights that come on at dusk and turn off at dawn.
- Installing CCTV cameras to watch over the most vulnerable areas of the property.
- Installing a monitored intruder alarm system.
- Installing an entry control system infrared, intercom or keypad.
- Establishing a single gated entrance and exit, removing all private access points that are not in use.

For more information about protecting a rural property or business, visit www.lancashire.police.uk and search 'protecting rural communities'.

"For rural communities the impact of crime can have more far-reaching effects than the value of the items stolen."

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Eye health awareness talk at library

AN Eye Health Awareness Talk, organised by Lancashire County Council's library service will be held at Skelmersdale Library, Southway on Thursday, October 10 from 1 to 3pm.

The informative talk is aimed at raising awareness about eye conditions, their prevention, care and support, and visitors will be able to learn how to keep their eyes healthy.

Got a story? Ring the Champion News Desk on 01704 392400

Police issue photos of pair wanted in connection with 'serious offences'

POLICE have issued photographs of two men wanted for questioning in connection with serious offences in Skelmersdale.

Officers are seeking Stephen Grimes and Joel Dowling following an affray on Sunday, September 15; threats to commit an arson attack on Tuesday, September 17 threats to kill on Wednesday, September 18.

Dowling, 23, from Skelmersdale is described as white, 5ft 7in tall, of slim build with short, dark-brown hair and blue eyes.

Grimes, 22, from Up Holland, is described as white, 5ft 9in tall, of slim build with cropped, dark-brown hair and blue eyes. He has a small scar on his forehead.

Both men have links to Skelmersdale and Liverpool.

Detectives are appealing for information about the whereabouts of the men and are advising people not to approach them.

Detective Inspector Jason Richardson, of Lancashire Police, said: "Grimes and Dowling are wanted in connection with a number of serious offences.

Stephen Grimes and Joel Dowling.

"Both men pose a threat to people and could be violent. We believe both are still in and around the Skelmersdale area.

"We are advising people not to approach them but instead call police immediately on 999 if you know where they are.

"I would also encourage Grimes and Dowling to do the right thing and come forward and speak to police."

Anyone with information can contact police on 999 or email 8792@lancashire.pnn.police.uk quoting log reference 0269 of September 18.

Alternatively independent charity Crimestoppers can be contacted anonymously on 0800 555 111 or online at crimestoppers-uk.org.

Sea Cadets to take part in free Knife Awareness course

Report by **Henry James**

SKELMERSDALE Sea Cadets are set to undertake a free course designed to create awareness in young people of how to deal with threatening behaviour and defend themselves in a crisis situation.

The 'Optimal performance in Knife Awareness' programme will be held at the cadets' base in Tawd Road and is due to start this month.

It was successfully introduced at the Sea Cadets in Old Swan, Liverpool, and it was recommended to other units.

The aim of the programme is to help youngsters to learn to cope in a supportive atmosphere including activities and discussions.

Programme leader, John Bullock, said: "We established very early on that our objectives are not to turn young people into Bruce Lee or Jackie Chan. It's a safety-first programme and if possible, young people are advised to contact the police or a responsible adult, or simply running away may be the best solution.

"The aim is to install confidence in a young person's ability to dissolve a crisis situation and use communication (verbal and body language) as a mechanism of control in such a situation.

"Observation of an assailant's body language and stance could establish a route out or determine the method of attack by the aggressor and to stack the odds in your favour of a successful defence.

"Hopefully, a cadet may not find themselves in such a dangerous position, but if they do by learning how to defend a knife attack by controlling the weaponised limb and restricting the aggressor's ability, it will maximise their opportunity to extract themselves from the situation as safely as possible."

Impact

Lancashire County Councillor John Fillis, who represents Skelmersdale East ward, said: "It's an absolute tragedy that we see knife crime in the news almost on a daily basis.

"The police, along with others within the community, are trying their best to reduce the risk. But quite often it is the fear of crime that has the greatest impact on young people.

"Getting away is always the best policy and there is nothing wrong with calling the police or a responsible adult.

"However, it's important that they gain confidence when going out and they are equipped with the knowledge and skills that this programme provides, which may help them if needed."

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Highways England to resurface sections of M58 near Junction 3

ROSIE Cooper says she has received confirmation from Highways England that they are to resurface sections of the M58 eastbound carriageway in the vicinity of Junction 3 at Bickerstaffe.

Due to be carried out within this financial year, the work will 'ensure the cross fall on the carriageway is reinstated' as necessary to minimise the potential for standing water in the future.

West Lancs MP Ms Cooper said: "I have reported stretches of the M58 to Highways England on numerous occasions and I am pleased they will be taking action soon to improve the surface and minimise standing water on the road.

"The latest accident occurred this summer, so any improvements to the safety for drivers can not come quick enough as far as I am concerned.

"The divisional director at Highways England has confirmed these works are to take place, and I'm sure this will give motorists more confidence using this motorway in wet weather."

Week of action to raise awareness of child criminal exploitation

Report by **Henry James**

A WEEK of action is being held in West Lancashire to raise awareness and educate young people and parents about child criminal exploitation.

The campaign has been put together by Lancashire Constabulary, the Office of Police and Crime Commission, West Lancashire Community Safety Partnership and not-for-profit theatre production company, AlterEgo Creative Solutions.

As part of the campaign, *County Lines - out in the counties*, a play performed by young people for young people, is visiting nine schools in Ormskirk and Skelmersdale this week (from Monday, October 7).

Child criminal exploitation is when a child or young person is exploited for profit, labour, sexual satisfaction or personal financial advantage. Children are being groomed into 'county lines, the police term for urban gangs supplying drugs to suburban areas, as well as market and coastal towns, using dedicated mobile phone lines.

However criminal exploitation of children is broader than that and can include youngsters forced to work on cannabis farms, commit theft or begging.

The play aims to educate pupils on the dangers of child criminal exploitation with the story unfolding to show how easy it is to get involved with the wrong people, what this can lead to and the dangers and consequences.

Lancashire's Police and Crime Commissioner Clive Grunshaw: "Education is critical in tackling child exploitation."

Operation Genga is Lancashire Constabulary's partnership approach to tackling serious and organised crime, including county lines and criminal exploitation.

Targeted

It works with a number of local and regional partners to pursue offenders and also to prevent organised crime from taking place in the first place, protecting those most vulnerable and preparing communities to be more resilient against organised crime.

Sergeant Andy Bramhall of Lancashire Constabulary said: "Many children who are targeted will be unaware of the dangers they are getting themselves into or the types of things they may get asked to do. This can include anything from drugs to shoplifting to sexual exploitation.

"The play will highlight these issues and raise awareness. In addition, we want parents to be more aware if they notice any changes in their child's behaviour and provide guidance and support."

Chair of West Lancashire Community Safety Partnership, Heidi McDougall, commented: "We take the issue of county lines very seriously and are delighted to have jointly commissioned, along with the police, the AlterEgo drama presentations into our local secondary schools.

"The presentation will help raise awareness of the warning signs of child criminal exploitation and how the gangs use grooming techniques to make it appear as though children have 'made their own choices' when becoming involved in criminal gangs.

"This will build on the excellent *Crossing the Line* film which has been delivered to thousands of schoolchildren in West Lancashire to raise awareness of the consequences of becoming involved in organised crime and to help them make informed decisions."

And Lancashire's Police and Crime Commissioner, Clive Grunshaw, added: "I believe that education is critical in tackling any form of child exploitation. By working together and ensuring the right messages reach young people in an engaging way is an important part of keeping people safe and preventing others falling victim to these awful crimes."

The schools that will be visited include Hope High School, Skelmersdale; Up Holland High School; Lathom High School; Burscough Priory; The Acorns School, Ormskirk; Tarleton Academy; Our Lady Queen of Peace, Skelmersdale; Ormskirk School; and St Bede's Catholic High School, Ormskirk.

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Kyra and Megan with the learners who cut their hair, and department instructor Susan Dunn.

Midstream duo sacrifice their flowing locks in aid of children's charity

Report by **Henry James**

TWO members of staff from Midstream West Lancs took part in a special event to donate their long hair to children's charity The Little Princess Trust.

Kyra Higgins and Megan Serjeant, who work as learning support assistants for the Skelmersdale-based charity, made the decision to brave the chop in order to help children and young people who have lost their own hair through undergoing treatment for cancer.

The Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs to children and young people in need all over the country.

When asked how she was feeling before the event, Kyra said: "I'm a bit nervous to be honest - I've had long hair for as long as I can remember.

"But its for such a good cause, so I'm pretty excited too. Hopefully my donation will make a big difference to a little girl."

Midstream provides work activity and vocational training for people with learning disabilities and it was students on their new hair and beauty programme who prepared and cut the staff's hair on the day.

Department instructor, Susan Dunn, said: "It's a fantastic cause and we're all really proud of Kyra and Megan.

"Not only have they donated their hair, they've also raised £357 so far for the charity. And they have given my learners the opportunity to practice some of the skills they've been learning over the last few months. They did a great job!"

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147 knives taken off county's streets during week-long surrender operation

A TOTAL of 147 knives have been taken off the streets in Lancashire as part of a national week of action aimed at tackling knife crime.

The knives were handed in as part of Op Sceptre, in conjunction with a nationwide response to continuing incidents across the country, including a number of recent fatal stabbings.

As part of this week of action Lancashire Police provided bins at police stations across the county for knives to be surrendered. They also carried out test purchases of knives to see whether retailers were co-operating with legislation which prevents knives being sold to under 18s and visited local schools to highlight crime prevention.

The breakdown of knives recovered or surrendered in each area was as follows: West 27; East 50; South 70. West Lancashire is part of Lancashire Police's South area, along with Preston, South Ribble and Chorley.

There were also 15 test purchase operations at retailers resulting in four failures.

Zero-tolerance

And more than 70 engagement events were attended by staff distributing key messages and information. A number of schools have also requested further information and presentations in the future.

Chief Inspector Steve Anderton said: "We are pleased with how the week has gone but there is more to do. Lancashire Constabulary is being really pro-active about how it tackles knife crime. We are continuing to raise awareness of the dangers of carrying a knife among children and young people, regularly visiting schools to talk to students about the dangers of carrying a knife.

Some of the knives handed in to Lancashire Police during Op Sceptre.

"We have a zero-tolerance policy towards knife possession and anyone who is found to be in possession of a knife could face up to five years in prison.

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"Nationally, young people who end up in hospital with a knife injury have usually been stabbed with their own knife - carrying a knife puts you at risk. You don't have to use the knife to get a criminal record, just being in possession of a blade in public is illegal.

"We would encourage anyone with information about knife crime in Lancashire to contact police or independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. More information is aalso vailable at https://www.lancashire.police.uk/help-advice/safer-communities/knife-crime/".

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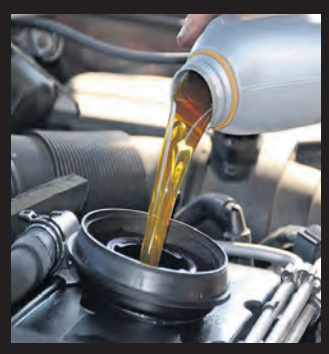

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Final trio named in Hospital Hero awards

THE three finalists have been announced for the People's Health Hero category at Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust's 11th annual Time to Shine Awards.

Nominated by members of the public, they will attend an awards ceremony on Friday, October 18 at Formby Hall when the overall winner, chosen by a panel of board members at the trust, will be announced.

The finalists are the HALT team (Hospital Alcohol Liaison Team); Lynn Sugden in the Medical Day Unit; and Lyn Hooten and the DVT (Deep Vein Thrombosis) team.

Deputy chief executive and director of strategy at the trust, Therese Patten said: "We had nearly 100 nominations this year, and it was incredibly difficult to narrow it down to just three.

"All our staff are worthy of an award in my opinion.

"We'd like to say a huge thank-you to everyone who took the time to share their appreciation for our hard-working staff and teams.

"We hope that all of those nominated will take pride in the fact that their dedication to care has been appreciated."

Left: The Hospital Alcohol Liaison Team.

Lyn Hooten (far right) and the DVT team.

Lynn Sugden.

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How do you think we should spend CIL monies?

West Lancashire Borough Council want to know your views on how the money we are collecting from new development through the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) should be spent in 2020/21. The money we collect must be used to improve infrastructure such as parks, play areas, outdoor sports facilities, cycle paths, transport projects and community facilities which are needed because of an increased demand for them created by NEW development in the Borough.

Supporting development across the Borough

The majority of CIL monies must be used for projects across the Borough. We are saving the bulk of the monies to use on large and costly projects in the future which take time to save up for. However, each year we will use up to £100,000 to fund smaller projects across the Borough. We have put forward a shortlist of projects that the available money might be spent on in 2020/21. These projects are:

- £100,000 for the rebuild of Hesketh Bank Community Centre
- £40,000 for improvements to Cheshire Lines Path, Downholland

Based on the available CIL, we can fund one of these projects.

Supporting development in Ormskirk

A smaller amount of CIL monies are used for projects in local areas, which are usually decided on by the parish council. In those areas without a parish council, like Ormskirk, the Council must decide what projects are awarded CIL local funding after consulting with local people. This year, funding is available in Ormskirk and so we have shortlisted one project for Ormskirk, which is:

- £40,000 to play area improvements at Thompson Avenue

Have your say

We want to know your views on how CIL money should be spent in 2020/21. Do you agree with the projects we've shortlisted? Which projects should we choose? Are there any other projects we should consider? Your comments will help us decide what we use CIL monies on in 2020/21.

We invite comments from everyone on the Borough-wide projects. However, due to Government guidance, only those who are resident or work in Ormskirk should comment on the use of local CIL on Ormskirk projects.

Send us your comments between Thursday 10 October and Friday 8 November 2019.

To find more information, including a list of all the other schemes we have considered before making our shortlist, visit **www.westlancs.gov.uk/cfp** or drop into your local library or council office to view the information. You can give us your comments online through the web link, by email to **CIL@westlancs.gov.uk** or pick up paper forms from the venues.

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Rosie Cooper blasts failure to tackle social housing shortage

Borough MP supports charity's campaign to end 'national scandal'

ROSIE Cooper has criticised what she described as the "national scandal" of the shortage of social housing after revealing that more than 700 people in West Lancs are on the waiting list for a council home.

The borough's MP met with Shelter, the UK's largest housing and homelessness charity, to support its campaign for more social homes.

The charity says the country is facing a national housing emergency driven by a long-term failure to build more social homes. It says that for generations, social housing played a vital role in meeting the housing needs of ordinary people, giving millions the quality and dignity of life that insecure and unaffordable private renting could not.

Now, though, it says, a steep decline in social housebuilding has contributed to an increase in homelessness and a huge increase in private renting, with three million renters facing a monthly battle to keep a roof over their heads or living in unfit and unsafe conditions.

And it is campaigning for three million new social homes through:

• Rediscovering the purpose of social housing as a foundation of community, safety and stability.

• Increasing the levels of grant funding made available for social housing providers.

• Reforming England's land market so that land comes into development at a price that makes the delivery of quality, well-designed and affordable housing possible again.

Pledging her support, Rosie Cooper said: "In West Lancashire we have a council housing waiting list of over 700 people, and not enough new social homes are being built which is an absolute failure of the government who are not providing councils with enough funding for these new social homes and are, in fact, cutting councils' budgets.

Rosie Cooper backing Shelter's campaign for more social housing.

"The government need to take serious action as this is a national scandal.

"It is evident that social housing has become far from affordable in recent years, as existing rents have risen and many new homes are let at higher, market-linked 'affordable rents.' More than half of families currently living in temporary accommodation in England are in employment, demonstrating that 'affordable rents' are not, in fact, affordable for many working people.

"I have raised these concerns directly with the new Housing Secretary and I will work with residents to ensure our voice is heard loud and clear in Parliament."

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A welcome return to West Lancashire for African children's choir

Report by **Kenny Parker**

The Pearl of Africa Children's Choir will once again be performing in the area to raise money for poor, homeless and orphaned children in Uganda.

MEMBERS of a children's choir which tours the UK raising money for an African charity foundation are making a welcome return to West Lancashire.

The Pearl of Africa Children's Choir represent the Molly and Paul Childcare Foundation, based in and around the capital of Uganda, Kampala.

Set up by Molly and Paul M Wasswa in the 1970s, the foundation provides free education, homes and healthcare to poor, homeless and orphaned children in the area.

The non-government charity relies completely on donations and to raise money it aims to send a children's choir to the UK every year to give performances in schools, churches and other venues.

The foundation cares for more than 2,000 children and runs five schools, a health centre and a children's village where homeless youngsters are cared for.

See website www.mollyandpaul.org for more information.

Unfortunately, due to financial restraints, the choir were unable to tour last year, but they are back this year.

One of the local tour organisers, Dave Tonge, said: "I am really pleased to announce that the Pearl of Africa Children's Choir are back with us in and around West Lancashire.

"During their stay they will be looked after by volunteer host families in the Ormskirk and Aughton area and, together with a small team, we are busy organising a full itinerary of concerts while they're with us."

The choir will be performing at various locations in the area during October as follows:

Thursday October 17, Christ Church Ministry Centre, Aughton, at 7pm; Wednesday, October 23, Holy Trinity Church, Rosemary Lane, Formby, at 7pm; Thursday, October 24, Meols Cop High School, Meols Cop Road, Southport, at 6.30pm; Friday, October 25, The Civic, Ormskirk, at 7.30pm (already sold out); Sunday, October27, Rock Choir Workshop, Southbank Road, Southport, at 7pm; Monday, October 28, Parbold Douglas Academy, Lancaster Lane, Parbold, at 7pm; Tuesday, October 29, Lordsgate Township CE School, Lordsgate Drive, Burscough, at 6.30pm.

Further details about the tour are available from Dave Tonge by email at david.tonge349@btinternet.com.

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Centenary celebration for 'one of a kind' Margaret!

Report by **Kenny Parker**

A WOMAN described as "one of a kind" has celebrated her 100th birthday with a party attended by family and friends.

Staff at the Arranmore Park Rest Home in Square Lane, Burscough organised the celebration in honour of resident, Margaret Rose.

The last survivor of 11 siblings, Margaret grew up during the great depression, survived the Second World War and has seen four monarchs and 20 different Prime Ministers since she was born on October 4, 1919.

Burscough born and bred - her father Thomas Bowen was a boatman who lived in New Lane - Margaret has lived in the village all her life and was married twice, first to Cyril Harvey and then to John Rose, with whom she had her only child, John.

Talented

Her son, who travelled from his home in Canada with wife Chrissie for the milestone, said: "Mum is one of a kind - just ask any of the nieces and nephews, friends or extended family members about 'Aunty Margaret'"

A talented seamstress, Margaret made many special day dresses and frocks for family and friends over the years. And although she never learned to drive a car - or even ride a bike - she did ride the occasional barge horse along the canal!

She was also a keen and active walker renowned for going 'full throttle' whether pushing baby John in his pram in all weathers, shopping or just out and about.

For her party, attended by family and many friends from the Burscough area, some of whom she had not seen for years, the chef at Arranmore put on a special spread while a member of staff baked a cake.

The home also arranged live music entertainment, with the sherry also flowing to help the celebrations go with a swing!

Asked for her secret for a long and happy life, Margaret said: "Be determined and stay in control."

Right: Margaret with family and friends at her 100th birthday celebrations.

Left: Margaret with her telegram from the Queen.

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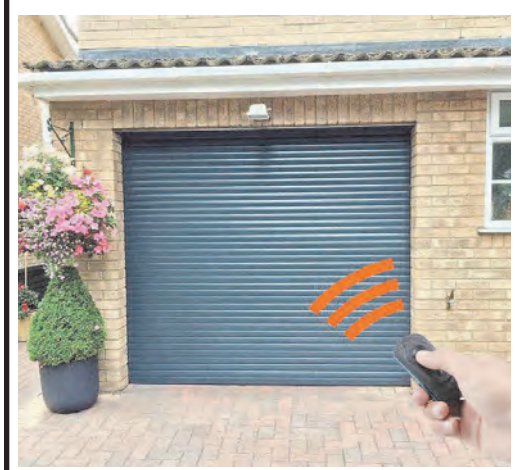

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I want to know how residents can hold private healthcare providers to account?

I AM a West Lancashire resident and recently attended a meeting of West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

I had heard about yet another contract that the CCG has given to Virgin Care with the aim of keeping elderly people and long-term sick at home rather than being hospitalised.

I thought admission to hospital was based on need and is a clinical decision and should not be left to a private provider to decide if you deserve to be admitted.

The reason for this contract, it's said, is to "relieve pressure" on hospitals. However if someone "needs" to be in hospital it doesn't matter whether they are 2 or 92. The elderly and those with long-term conditions should have the same right to go to hospital when they need to as any other people.

I wanted to ask questions about the contract - how it was advertised, how bids were invited, who bid for it, what the value of the contract is, how the winning bid was decided - and I submitted a written question about the tender and who took part. However, the chief executive, Mike Maguire closed the meeting without addressing my question.

I am really concerned that we are being kept in the dark about NHS services in West Lancashire. The 2012 Health & Social Care Act states that we should be kept at the heart of everything the CCG does, but in West Lancashire we are treated with disdain if we attend their meetings.

It's sad because it feels very hostile and they don't welcome questions but I have done some research and CCGs in other parts of the country engage very differently with the public and patients.

As taxpayers we fund the wages of the CCG staff and I think we deserve to be kept informed of what they are doing with our money and treated with a lot more respect. I wonder if your readers agree?

We all need to be asking questions of the CCG and I would like to know how we residents can have the opportunity to hold Virgin Care, Spa Medica and other private providers to account?

Barrie French.

● A spokesperson for NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group responded: "The new short intensive support service (SISS) will be a valuable support for the frail older population, improving their experiences by keeping them at home and will help minimise pressures on accident and emergency teams.

"All referrals will come from ambulance staff, GPs and other healthcare professionals. In line with the published long term plan, the NHS across the country is boosting community services to make sure that people get treatments they need easier and faster so they don't always need to go to hospital and that those needing hospital care do not stay longer than they need to.

"Our Annual General Meeting aims to offer several residents the chance to ask questions and everyone is advised that if any cannot be answered in person fully on the day, they can be addressed following the meeting.

"SISS is an additional service under the community service remit which Virgin Care was commissioned to deliver following an extensive procurement process which met national guidelines."

Up Holland road resurfacing work is a case of going from the sublime to the ridiculous

LANCASHIRE County Council roadworks dept have done an excellent job resurfacing Mill Lane, Up Holland.

We now have an excellent main road branching off at three intervals to Beacon Park via Harts Lane, Carr Lane and Elmers Green Lane.

All three of these vehicle access roads/paths are falling apart with potholes galore. A sublime to ridiculous situation.

No doubt West Lancs' system of inspection will come into play and maybe next year we just might see some improvements on these three approach roads.

I wonder if any consideration has been given to a speed limit restriction for Mill Lane as the heavy construction vehicles who use it regularly will soon cause damage?

Mill Lane is a minor B road and should be regulated so as to be used as such.

Also, has any thought been given to the volume of traffic from Skelmersdale passing through Up Holland village at peak hours am and pm?

It is horrendous and aggravated by those drivers who see a speed limit as a target to be overcome.

A 20mph limit would help with an adequate lighting system.

Graham Walker, Up Holland.

Annual student 'invasion' brings more misery and anxiety for town's long-suffering residents

IF we lived near Heathrow or Manchester or any other airport in the land we would be eligible for compensation and a grant towards better double glazing to block out the noise from air traffic.

We live near a university with an excess of intolerable noise and have no help from any agency to give us the quality of life any person should expect.

Ormskirk is like a small village all summer and then the invasion begins every September.

Our rates are extortionate to compensate for the non-contributing students.

The students are a drain on our NHS, WiFi, policing, refuse collection and street cleaning, however they pay nothing.

People who have lived the last 30 years in Ormskirk want to move out from their beloved town due to lack of sleep and amenity. The rubbish is unacceptable, the ambulances are pushed to capacity through drink-related calls.

Every year we are promised that the university will control their students, every year we are let down!

Students continue to behave like animals while they are guests in our town. How difficult is it to enjoy your sudden freedom from parental control whilst still respecting your neighbours?

Enjoy yourselves by all means, but don't put your lives in jeopardy or your neighbours in a state of misery, sleeplessness and anxiety.

Pick up your litter or place it in the numerous bins, go for a drink but go home quietly.

Please let's all live in harmony and tranquility.

Ormskirk resident, details supplied.

PICTURE of the week

READER Clare Luard from Ashurst, Skelmersdale submitted this photograph taken in the morning and showing, she tells us, the Columbarium by the pond behind Dalton Church.

If you would like to submit a photo to be considered for our Picture of the Week slot, you can simply email it to us at editorial@champnews.com. Please remember to include your name, the area where you live and brief captions details.

Although we cannot publish all the photos we receive, we do acknowledge and appreciate your contributions, thank you.

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■ PLEASE note: All views and opinions expressed in letters to the editor are solely those of the authors.

All this dithering over Brexit just makes matters worse

I FIND Labour as a whole laughable when they come together to push Project Fear over Brexit.

They have predictions based from government figures, but they are just that - predictions.

Have Labour not kept up to date with current times and seen Europeans living and working in the UK can actually stay after Brexit indefinitely if they have been here for more than five years?

Failing that they get a pre-settled status.

After said five years time they will have enough to stay indefinitely. That means our doctors and nurses in Ormskirk and surrounding areas are fine.

EU-funded projects in the UK, especially the North West, have been a help I'll admit, but is that not our money sent back to us? Is it not sent back with conditions attached?

Businesses have concerns and so they should. Brexit or not, the business world is always changing due to politics, consumers and other events. It is down to a business to adapt to these situations and it has been like that since commerce began.

Instead of debating Brexit as has been the case for more than thre years now, or saying you (all parties) respect the will of the people but insist on blocking any attempt to progress with it, how about leaving no deal on the table which gives us some advantage in the EU talks?

No one truly knows what will happen till it has happened and dithering about it just makes matters worse.

Leon Graham, Burscough.

Thanks to all my good Samaritans

I WOULD like to thank all the people who came to my aid when I tripped on a flagstone outside Burscough Post Office on Thursday, September 19.

Thanks to the lady teacher from Winstanley College and the young lady who had just had a job interview (hope she was successful) the policeman who stopped his car to check and the two PCSOs and Karen from Queenscourt charity shop who kept my husband informed and calm.

And to Liz and Ronnie the ambulance paramedics who took great care of me. The staff in A&E were all great. I can't praise everyone enough.

Thank you all.

Kathleen Murdoch, Burscough.

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Images of Burscough exhibition to be held on October 19 and 20

THE article in last week's Champion about a forthcoming exhibition of old photographs and memorabilia organised by community group Images of Burscough and Surrounding Areas, mistakenly stated that the event would be staged at the Stanley Club in Liverpool Road North, Burscough over the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, October 26 and 27.

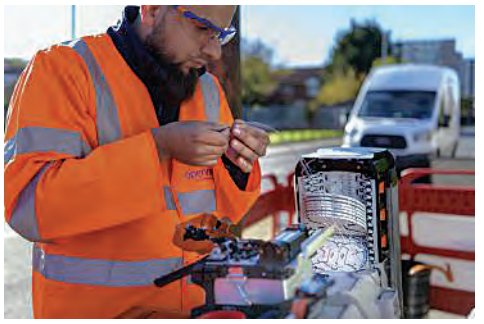
In fact, it is being held on Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20.

We apologise for this error and any inconvenience it may have caused.

Service in memory of lost loved ones

CHRIST Church, Parbold, is holding a Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance on Sunday, November 3 at 3pm for those who have lost loved ones in recent years.

It is expected to last about 45 minutes and will be followed by light refreshments.



Openreach engineer handling fibre cables.

Call for Skem to be included in roll-out of new broadband

Report by **Kenny Parker**

ROSIE Cooper has welcomed news that Ormskirk, Aughton and nearby areas are set to benefit from new fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) broadband - but is calling for Skelmersdale not to be left behind.

Digital infrastructure company Openreach has announced that work to build new future-proof FTTP technology (where fibre is laid from the exchange to people's front doors) is set to get underway in Ormskirk and Aughton by the end of next year, once engineers have carried out detailed planning and survey work.

West Lancs MP Ms Cooper welcomed the development - which is expected to improve broadband speeds, capacity and reliability for residents and businesses - while calling for similar investment for Skelmersdale to be implemented as a matter of urgency.

She said: "Improving broadband speeds across West Lancashire is something I have long campaigned on, to provide residents, particularly in the rural areas, with adequate Internet accessibility to keep them connected and accessing services they require.

"Businesses across West Lancashire often seek my support to campaign for improvements, which I am pleased this investment will deliver.

"However, the omission of Skelmersdale with such a large population and high number of businesses is disappointing. I have written to Openreach's chief executive urging him to consider adding Skelmersdale to their immediate project plans, so businesses can plan ahead with certainty.

Ambitions

"I will continue to lobby ministers in Parliament for increased investment in ultrafast broadband across West Lancashire."

In response, Openreach said that it has already done a "huge amount" of work to provide superfast broadband to West Lancs and that its work rolling out the new technology in the area is only just begriming.

A spokesperson said: "We are only just starting our work in West Lancashire, in line with our initial plan to deploy full fibre to 4m UK homes and business by March 2021, and there is much more to come.

"We're grateful for the MP's interest in our roll-out and we'd welcome the opportunity to meet with her to discuss her thoughts and answer any other questions she might have. We have strong ambitions for our Fibre First programme and want to go even further, delivering 15 million by the mid-2020s - if the conditions are right.

"We know there is more to do but we've already carried out a huge amount of work to roll out faster speeds across West Lancashire. According to independent broadband website thinkbroadband.com, nearly 96 per cent of premises there can already access superfast broadband."

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Business support service says it's not too late to prepare for Brexit

Report by **Kenny Parker**

FOUR out of five businesses across the county are still unprepared for Brexit - and what will be 'one of the biggest changes to trading conditions in living memory' - according to the North and Western Lancashire Chamber of Commerce (NWLCC).

The business support service says that no company in Lancashire will be untouched by Brexit but with just over three weeks to go until October 31 when the UK is expected to leave the EU, it claims it's not too late for them to prepare.

Businesses are being urged to take advantage of the free Help for Brexit programme, which is designed to help them understand what they need to know.

Babs Murphy, chief executive at NWLCC, said: "Businesses face sweeping changes on an unprecedented level if leaving the EU without a deal becomes a reality. Every company in Lancashire will be affected in some way, either directly or through their supply chain.

"Just one in five businesses is prepared for the impending quagmire of financial and bureaucratic regulations as well as delays that will hit cash flow.

Babs Murphy, chief executive of the North and Western Lancashire Chamber of Commerce.

"There is still time if you act now and the chamber is here to support you through the preparation process. The Help for Brexit programme is in full force across Lancashire and will arm companies with an understanding of the steps they need to take."

The government-backed service includes no-deal planning and advice for a variety of Brexit scenarios. It is available to all businesses operating in West Lancashire, Wyre, Fylde, Blackpool, Lancaster, Chorley, South Ribble, and Preston.

The support includes webinars, seminars, workshops, training courses and business clinics looking at the main issues businesses will face.

Key areas the sessions will cover include future skills, cross-border trade and compliance issues which will come into effect once the UK leaves the European Union.

Babs added: "Businesses are telling us some of their key concerns include uncertainty over their workforce and how imports and exports will be affected at the UK border.

"But there are a whole host of potential changes which businesses may not have even considered including data protection and insurance. All Lancashire companies urgently need to understand how the law will change and what effect that is likely to have on their operations and finances."

Around 20 Help for Brexit events are being held across Lancashire during the month of October. These are taking place at venues in Preston, Blackpool, Fylde, Leyland and Chorley.

Help for Brexit is funded by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy's Brexit Readiness Fund. The £10m Government fund has been allocated to business support organisations across the UK to help businesses get ready for Brexit on October 31.

Full details of the programme are available at www.helpforbrexit.co.uk.

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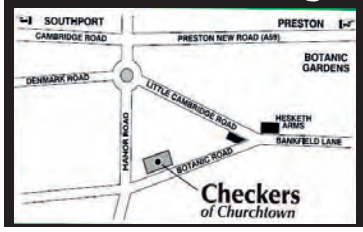

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County council to invest £6m in scheme to help families stay together

LANCASHIRE County Council is to invest £6m into what it describes as a "ground-breaking" scheme designed to help vulnerable children, young people and their families stay together.

The announcement comes as the Government revealed the council was one of 18 local authorities who will receive a share of £84m to fund Strengthening Families, Protecting Children schemes.

The council believes it is one of the largest authorities to receive this funding and expects to receive a significant amount to support the £6m commitment.

The innovative scheme aims to reduce the number of youngsters in the county being taken into care.

Specialist professionals will work with families to address some of the issues that can lead to families breaking down, such as substance misuse, domestic abuse and mental health problems.

A key part of the scheme, which will also be funded with £6m direct from the county council, will be to encourage parents to take positive steps to address any issues they may have.

It is planned that early intervention through partners - including schools, the police, health and other voluntary, community and faith sector organisations - will enable more families to be supported and complement the work of new family safeguarding teams.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson.

Extra help will also be provided to children and young people when it is in their best interests to go into local authority care.

Research has shown the scheme has the potential to reduce the number of children involved in care proceedings by around 38% over three years. In Lancashire, this would mean that significantly fewer children would be in care, compared to current figures. This also means they can stay with their families and live happily in Lancashire.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, Lancashire's cabinet member for children, young people and schools, said: "It's fantastic news that the county council has secured this much-needed funding. There are currently more than 2,000 children in care in Lancashire, which is higher than the national average. We want to ensure the best outcome for each and every child and believe that in some cases early intervention to address problems within a family may mean a child could remain at home with proper support.

"Research shows that if children can stay with their parents in a stable home and family environment they should.

"Of course there are cases where children absolutely have to be moved away from home because of concerns with their immediate safety and long-term wellbeing. However, for the majority of families, if we could support them earlier and tailor support to meet their needs, the action of removing the children may be able to be prevented before problems become more serious."

The grant, which will see new Family Safeguarding Teams set up, will fund the new programme for three years. By the end of this period, it is envisaged the new Supporting Families, Protecting Children scheme will be self-funding.

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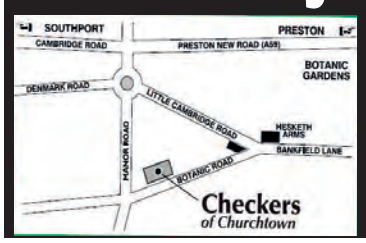

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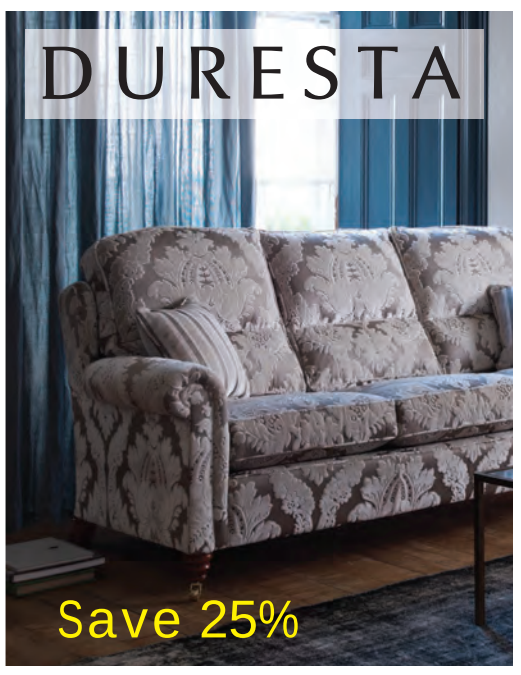

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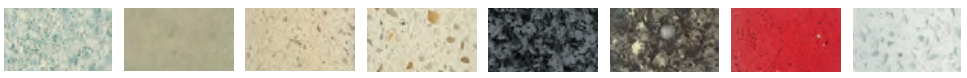

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Edge Hill business 'freshers' challenged to solve the problem of failing high street!

FIRST-year business students at Edge Hill University have been set the tricky task of solving a problem faced by some of the best minds in business as high street closures continue.

Hundreds of Business School students have been exploring Ormskirk as part of a competitive team exercise designed to inspire thought on what makes a successful high street business as a record number of chain stores across the country are closing.

According to recent figures released by accountants PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), the first half of 2019 saw a record net 1,234 stores disappear from Britain's top 500 high streets, with retailers and leisure operators continuing restructuring activity and services increasingly moving online.

PwC also recorded a total of 2,868 store closures, equivalent to 16 per day and the most for five years.

Kim Cassidy, Professor of Services Marketing at Edge Hill, presented this reality to the students while setting the assignment brief and explained that the high street crisis had cost tens of thousands of jobs.

She said: "As these figures confirm, the high street is still facing huge problems in attracting footfall, so what better place to start with this year's intake of business students?

"The growth of online shopping and the rise of a convenience culture has led to a large number of vacant units and declining visitor numbers in many town centres.

Edge Hill business students brainstorm on how to solve the high street crisis.

"Although Ormskirk is a relatively prosperous town in the UK, with a distinctive 'market town' profile, it has also felt the impact of some of these changes in consumer behaviour.

"I wanted to challenge the students to see if they could think outside the box and come up with any fresh ideas on how to tackle the problem, more specifically how to keep Ormskirk open for business."

Teams were encouraged to move away from traditional retail and towards experiences, community attractions and activities, including health and wellbeing.

The judging panel consisted of academics, officials from local councils and leaders from business and the community.

The winning project was Ormesfest, which saw the fictional Great Ormskirk Experience museum initiate a variety of festivals throughout the year to celebrate the town's culture and history.

Kim added: "The task was designed in line with the Business School's mission to develop highly-skilled and well-qualified graduates with outstanding business acumen, but I hope the students also enjoyed the exercise and getting to know their community in Ormskirk."

Heart charity urges shoppers to join its Reuse Revolution

THE British Heart Foundation (BHF) is calling on shoppers in the North West to join its Reuse Revolution.

This month the charity is asking renters, homeowners, interior enthusiasts and bargain hunters to shop sustainably for furniture and homewares by visiting their local BHF home store in the North West area, helping to support its vital work.

Around 20,000 people in the North West lose their lives to conditions including heart disease, stroke, diabetes and vascular dementia and each item sold in BHF home stores will help to raise vital funds into research for new treatments.

Last year, the BHF reused and recycled more than 41,000 tonnes of furniture and electrical products.

This included saving 130,000 sofas and 50,000 TVs from going to waste, which helped prevent 52,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions being released into the atmosphere.

To join the Reuse Revolution, the BHF is asking those looking to give their home a refresh or style update this autumn to visit their local BHF store for home furnishings.

From pre-loved furniture to pieces that can be easily transformed with upcycling tricks, the charity says shoppers will be "amazed at the quality and affordability of the unique finds" available in their stores.

The BHF is inviting those joining the sustainability movement to share their finds on social media by tagging @the_BHF, using the #BoughtAtBHF hashtag and finish the sentence: "I love shopping at the BHF because....".

Participants who post between October 1 and 31 will be entered into a competition with the chance to win £250 to spend on Annie Sloan products.

Retail director at BHF, Allison Swaine-Hughes, said: "I want to encourage shoppers to think sustainably when it comes to furnishing their homes. I love seeing BHF pieces in their stylish new settings and am always amazed by our customers' creativity when it comes to upcycling items.

"This initiative shows our impact goes beyond raising funds for heart research. Our shops are helping to find new homes for thousands of household items at the same time as preventing unnecessary waste and carbon emissions being released into the atmosphere. Joining the Reuse Revolution is win-win for the environment, furnishing your home affordably, and for the fight against heart and circulatory disease."

Last year BHF homes stores helped to raise around £30m towards vital research to transform the lives of the 930,000 people in the North West living with heart and circulatory diseases.

For further information about on the Reuse Revolution and how to locate your nearest BHF shop, visit www.bhf.org.uk/ReuseRevolution.

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Happier times ... things broke but at least you could try and fix 'em!

I RECKON either I was born too late or I am getting old too soon, because I really do think times were better back in the 1950s and '60s when I was doing my growing up.

We didn't have all the gadgets and gizmos that seem indispensable today - but what we had tended to work better and when it didn't it could actually be mended. Try that one on a modern TV, let alone a tablet.

Cars too had engines which you could see when you opened the bonnet - not just a sheath of plastic hiding the (of course) unrepairable bits within. You could change a light bulb, easy as, and, if all else failed, have a bash, literally, at hitting whatever wasn't functioning correctly with a heavy object - it sometimes worked and rarely made things worse.

But irritating though these things are to me, it's nothing compared to the complexity of simply getting things done.

The last car I actually bought for myself was an ex-demonstrator Alfasud Ti. Having decided I wanted it I paid the dealer concerned, signed a couple of simple forms and the car was mine. Then a quick visit to an insurance agent, again no complicated questions, and I was off on my merry way.

Now though the very thought of buying a car puts my head into a spin. How polluting is my chosen steed? Do I really need a diesel (which back then was the government's answer to global warming) or can I manage without driving into a city?

And having decided on these and a myriad of other questions, I can take to the open road.

Open road? What a laugh that is. Back in the day there were 30mph limits in built-up areas and most of the rest were 'de-restricted'. These days on any major road all you see are (hopefully) moving blocks of vehicles.

Mind you, cars have become far more reliable, which is just as well considering the cost and difficulty of getting them repaired.

My little Alfa, which was a real pleasure to drive, did suffer from three complaints, two of which were never cured.

First of all, I found that if I set off early on a summer morning and got onto a motorway, after a few miles of swift progress the engine would start to cut out and the car come to a ignominious halt. I found that after a few minutes on the hard shoulder, the engine would start again and run normally, until it happened again when the whole procedure had to be gone through again.

Puzzled, particularly because this only seemed to occur on motorways, I racked my brains and had a look at my instruction book. And I found the answer! There was a pipe which fed air into the carburettors with 'winter' and 'summer' settings. Because it was summer, I had set it for the warm weather, forgetting that Alfas come from Italy which usually has hotter summers than do we. What was happening on a cool, sunny early morning on the M6 was that very cool air was being forced into the carburettors causing them to 'freeze'. Sliding the simple control back to 'winter' setting cured the problem instantly.

The second problem with the 'Sud was that from time to time it would not start. And I mean everything was dead as the proverbial. I knew the battery was fine, and so long as someone could give the little car a shove it would start, run normally and restart properly time after time - until this happened again. And again, and again.

I took the car to a garage in Colchester (where I then worked) which specialised in 'expensive cars' such as Aston Martins and such.

They scratched their heads and got in an expert electrician from Ipswich, who could find no fault to correct. In the end I just had to live with it.

The real 'end' came with the dreaded Alfa 'tin worm'. Nothing could be done but sell it while she was still worth something.

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Never give your bank account details to an unknown caller

I WANT to begin this week with many thanks to readers who have responded by phone and email to these columns - 'it's good to talk.'

Recently I watched a Rip-off Britain report on telephone scams featuring a story and interview with an unsuspecting victim who had his bank account emptied over a short period of 'grooming' in 2016.

Unfortunately at that time there were no requirements for banks to make refunds in such cases. Now, there is more protection provided although there are still a number of banks who have not yet signed up to the new scams protection code. But it is still essential to beware when you are called by someone claiming to be from your bank. Do not give your bank account details to any unknown caller. If you think that you have given a fraudster your bank details, contact your bank immediately. You should also change any passwords that may have been compromised.

One of our clients who had been interviewed recently, called to say that she had received a call on her mobile phone from another mobile via a number she did not recognise. A female who said her name was Jane and who spoke with a strange accent said that she was calling from Citizens Advice and wanted to help with catalogue debts. When our client said she had no catalogue debts, the caller hung up. Our client wrote down the mobile number which I have called two or three times, but the phone was switched off. Our Citizens Advice message is that we never make phone calls to offer debt help. I advised the client to report the call to Action Fraud.

Another reader has reported that she received four telephone calls in one day warning that her broadband would be cut off if she did not press 1. She did on the fourth call and said that she had a Virgin account and was told that this made no difference as Virgin ran on BT broadband lines! Fortunately she did not give any personal details to the caller, but talked to us via a friend.

Phishing emails: There have recently been reports of phishing emails from HMRC, DVLA etc. This week, I was informed that British Gas are aware of emails purporting to come from them, fraudulently promising customers a 'refund' of £400-plus. They ask that if anyone receives such an email, to send it on as an atttachment to phishing@centrica.com. It is also recommended that if you receive such an email, you should make Action Fraud aware at actionfraud.police.uk

My colleagues in West Lancashire Citizens Advice have asked me to tell you of their Online Challenge Events at the Digital Help Centres in Skelmersdale on Wednesday, October 16 where help is available to residents looking for support and assistance in online form filling on a one to one basis. Scam awareness is sure to be discussed!

If you have any scam stories contact me at john.trotter@seftoncab.org.uk.

Lecturer's solo show at Chapel Gallery

AN art lecturer at West Lancashire College is currently staging an exhibition of his own at the Chapel Gallery Café in Ormskirk.

And Gary Owens, who has worked in the college's art department for 24 years, hopes that his show, entitled The Moment's Continual Self Invention, will help to inspire his students. He said: "Hopefully some of my students will see the show and it will provide further motivation for them to follow their own career goals."

The exhibition features 36 of his works and Gary explained "These are digital collages that incorporate materials from a wide range of sources - vintage magazines, catalogues, lines from poems and songs - along with my own photos and elements created by hand. The title for the show sums up my working methods really as I try to empty out my mind and just create."

Gary has recently become a founding member of a group for artists based at the college called New Town Creatives which he hopes will provide support and opportunities for artists, especially those who have strong links to the area.

Gary's exhibition will be on show at the gallery in St Helens Road until Saturday, November 2. Opening times are Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 4.30pm.

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Currently, the unacted parts of the Civil Liability Act seem to have been pushed to the back of the Government's agenda given the ongoing issues relating to Brexit. We are not sure when the remainder of the Act will become law and we see no current stance for the changes to be applied retrospectively to claims already ongoing. In essence, if you were injured in a road traffic accident in the last 3 years and it was not your fault – act immediately to make a claim for the compensation you are entitled to.

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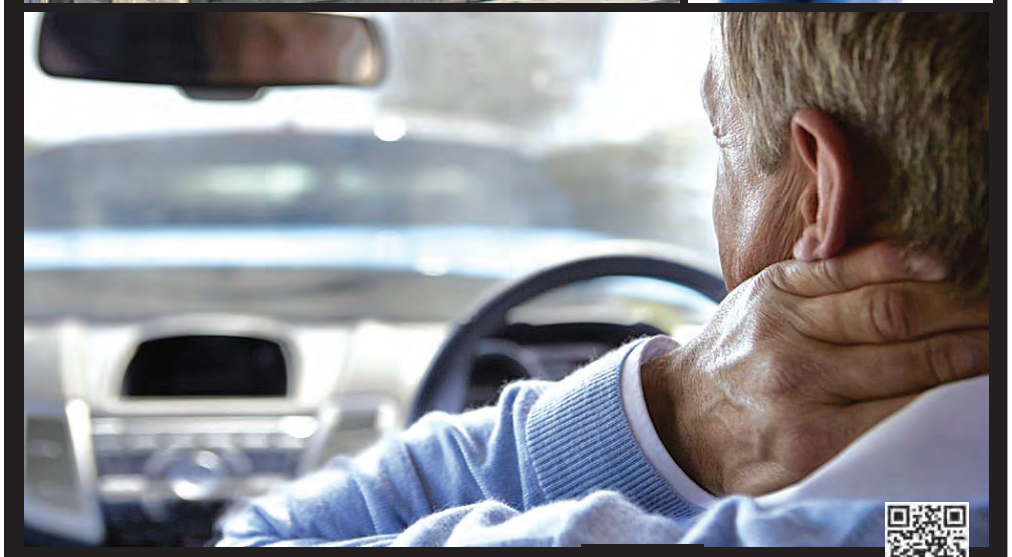

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MP backs joke-telling competition aimed at improving youngsters' communication skills

WEST Lancs MP Rosie Cooper is supporting Voice Box, an annual joke-telling competition designed by the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT) to build schoolchildren's communication skills.

This year's competition is being run in partnership with the National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT).

More than 10% of children start school with some form of language disorder. Undetected or unmet speech, language and communication problems can lead to low levels of literacy, poor educational attainment, poorer mental health and wellbeing and, in turn, difficulties finding employment, and life chances.

Mainstream and specialist primary schools across England, Scotland and Northern Ireland are invited to bring laughter into their classrooms this autumn by taking part in the competition.

Schools should hold their joke-telling contests between October and November and then submit their pupil's funniest joke to the RCSLT by November 29 for a chance to go through to a grand final in London, next year.

Rosie Cooper: "Any initiative to improve a child's development in communication should be encouraged"

The pupil with the ultimate winning joke will receive an iPad mini, while two runners-up will each receive gift tokens.

The RCSLT has developed a toolkit with useful resources, ideas and a nomination form for schools to download via www.rcslt.org/giving-voice

Rosie Cooper said: "Any initiative to improve a child's development in communication should be encouraged so we can give our young people the best opportunities later in life through having those basic but essential communication skills.

"Supporting children to develop their communication as young as possible ensures that those who may be behind their peer group, or those with any specific challenges can have them identified early on, and be provided with additional support to ensure they can reach their full potential."

Chief executive of the RCSLT, Kamini Gadhok, said: "The aim of the Voice Box competition is to remind people that all children need support to build their communication skills and confidence and some need additional specialist help to speak and understand what is being said to them.

"Communication is a fundamental skill and has the most profound and positive impact on our lives - from our social and emotional development to our behaviour, learning and educational attainment, employment prospects and life chances. It impacts on how we interact with other people, how we understand them and, in turn, how we are understood."

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Care home staff get training to identify signs of potentially fatal infection

Report by **Henry James**

LANCASHIRE County Council has been training care home staff to help them to identify residents they suspect could have sepsis to ensure they are treated quickly.

The number of care professionals that have completed the ongoing training programme has passed the 280 mark.

Sepsis is the severe, life-threatening end of infection which happens when your immune system overreacts and damages the body's tissues and organs.

Although anyone is at risk of sepsis following an infection, older people are at greater risk of sepsis and the county council has been offering free training sessions for care home staff from both residential and nursing care homes across Lancashire.

Reducing the risk of infections, identifying the signs of sepsis early and referring residents to A&E using standardised reporting are some of the topics covered in the training.

County Councillor Shaun Turner: "Staff have found training very useful."

County Councillor Shaun Turner, Lancashire's cabinet member for public health and wellbeing, said: "Sepsis is triggered by other illnesses, such as lung and urinary tract infections and flu.

Higher risk

It spreads through the blood and if it's not treated quickly, it can lead to a dramatic fall in blood pressure, organ failure and can be fatal.

"Older people, including care home residents, are at higher risk of developing sepsis so it's vital that care professionals have all the training and support they need to identify the condition.

"It's often difficult to detect sepsis as many of the symptoms are similar to other illnesses.

"We've developed training that ensures care home staff use a standardised way of reporting sepsis and give health services the information in a consistent way that helps them to treat cases urgently.

"Staff who have already taken part have found the training very useful."

Anyone is at risk of Sepsis but those who are more at risk include children under one, adults more than 60, people with weakened immune systems and those with long term conditions.

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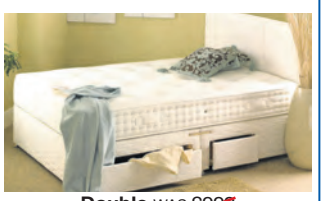

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Picured at the charter signing are (from left) Neil Masom, trust chair; Martin Abram, Freedom to Speak Up guardian; Lauren Spike, Unison branch Young Members Officer; Rosie Cooper; Silas Nicholls, trust chief executive; Bob Davies, equalities lead; Christine Moore, Unison branch officer; and John Flannery, trust staff lead.

Trust signs union's charter to respect younger workers

SOUTHPORT and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust and Rosie Cooper are backing a charter that aims to make a difference to the quality of life of younger workers.

The five-point Respect Your Youth Charter, drawn up by public sector trade union' Unison, asks for the implementation of the Real Living Wage irrespective of age; quality apprenticeships; fair employment; workplace equality; and increased training opportunities.

West Lancs MP Ms Cooper joined trust chief executive Silas Nicholls, chair Neil Masom, staff side lead John Flannery and members of Unison to sign the charter.

Unison is lobbying all employers to sign the charter because it argues young people's prospects are deteriorating.

Rose Cooper said: "The charter highlights the fact that young workers are disproportionately hit by the UK government's austerity policies and says a combination of increased university tuition fees, unemployment, poorer job opportunities, lower pay and rapid house price inflation is deteriorating young people's prospects.

"I'm delighted to work with the chief executive and staff at Southport and Ormskirk Hospital Trust, together with Unison, to support our younger workers."

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Caroline's delighted to be half the woman she was

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Report by **Henry James**

Caroline before (left) didn't require quite so much padding as Father Christmas and after (below) receiving her award from Tina.

CAROLINE Holder is only half the woman she used to be - and she's got an award to prove it!

The 41-year-old from Ormskirk is celebrating after losing a life-changing 12st 7lb to win a Slimming World 'Club 50' Award - specially-created to celebrate the company's 50th birthday this year – and awarded to members who have lost an incredible 50% of their starting weight.

Caroline, said: "I've been overweight for years and I'm so proud and happy to win this award, especially in such a monumental year for Slimming World.

"I feel like a new woman since losing weight. In fact, I look so different that people who I haven't seen for a while often can't believe I'm the same person. For me though it's the change on the inside that's been the greatest – I'm happier, healthier and much more confident now."

Caroline, who joined the Ormskirk group, run by Tina Whewell, in March 2017, added: "My weight impacted on so many aspects of my life, from struggling to find clothes that I like to fit, to not being able to do simple everyday tasks without feeling tired and out of breath.."

After meeting Tina while she was out and about promoting her groups, Caroline decided to take the plunge and join her local Slimming World group.

"Walking through those doors was one of the hardest things I've ever done. I was embarrassed about my size and scared that I might be the biggest person there.

"I needn't have worried though, everyone was so friendly, especially my consultant Tina, and I was so relieved when I found out that my weight was confidential between me and her. I'd had visions of having to tell everyone how much I weighed!

"Since then I've made so many friends at the group and I honestly don't think I could have done it without their support each week. They helped me with recipes and tips and if I was ever struggling, they were always there to build me up and remind me why I'd wanted to lose weight in the first place and how far I'd come since first stepping through the doors."

Tina added: "The changes we've seen in Caroline are incredible. I hope her success will inspire other people who'd like to become happier and healthier, to come and join us."

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Staff praised after care home given 'good' rating by regulator's inspectors

MANAGEMENT at a care home in Ormskirk have praised staff following an improved rating by the health and social care regulator.

Abbey Wood Lodge, on County Road has been awarded an overall 'good' rating by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) following a visit by inspectors in September.

The home was rated 'good' across all five categories of Safe, Effective, Responsive, Caring and Well Led - an improvement on its inspection in August of last year when it was judged 'good' in Caring and Responsive categories but found to be to 'requiring improvement' overall and in the Safe, Effective and Well Led categories.

Registered home manager, Allison Kennie, with Abbey Wood Lodge's CQC report.

And it is a further improvement on the rating the CQC gave the home following a visit in July 2017 which found it to 'require improvement' overall and in each category except Safe, which was judged 'inadequate'. This was due to various concerns, including there not being enough suitably trained staff to meet the needs of people living in the home.

Though inspectors noted all the Safe issues had been corrected by 2018, they said there needed to be "consistent good practice over time" before they could sign it off as being good.

A summary of the latest report says: "People were protected from the risk of abuse and avoidable harm by staff who understood how to recognise and respond to concerns.

"People told us that staff were available when they needed them and they felt safe in their care.

"The environment was clean and maintained. People were safely supported to receive their medicines as prescribed.

"People's needs were assessed and care and support had been planned proactively and in partnership with them.

"People were provided with a nutritious and varied diet. Staff had received regular training and supervision to support them to meet people's needs.

"People were supported to have maximum choice and control of their lives and staff supported them in the least restrictive way possible; the policies and systems in the service supported this practice.

"People told us that staff were kind, caring, attentive and treated them with respect. They said staff respected their privacy and dignity and supported them to be as independent as possible."

Head of operations, Liza Millington, said: "We are so pleased to announce that Abbey Wood Lodge, Ormskirk have achieved a rating of 'good' in every area at their recent CQC inspection.

"The overall 'good' rating is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the lodge team, who continually and consistently ensure that our residents receive the very best of care in their home.

"Well done and congratulations to everyone! Our heartfelt thanks also go out to all family and friends of residents, who give nothing but support and encouragement. It truly is very much appreciated."

Ormskirk pub tops poll to represent borough in Parliament awards

AN Ormskirk town centre pub has come out tops in a poll held by Rosie Cooper to represent West Lancs in the Parliamentary Pub of the Year awards.

The national awards, which celebrate pubs in the community, offer all 650 MPs the chance to nominate their constituency's favourite establishment.

And following an online poll, West lancs MP Ms Cooper has nominated The Cricketers in Chapel Street as the borough's entrant.

The main criteria for nomination is a pub that is great at what they do - this can include the range of beer or food provided, the dedication to serving the local community or a specialism in music or sports.

Dave Speak, manager of The Cricketers, which has previously been chosen as Pub of the Year by the Southport and West Lancashire branch of the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA), is one of the main driving forces behind Ormskirk's Moor Street Night Market initiative.

All nominated pubs will submit a video to the judges for consideration.

The Cricketers on Chapel Street, Ormskirk.

Rosie Cooper said: "Following a public vote, via my website, The Cricketers came out on top to be my West Lancashire nomination for the Parliamentary Pub of the Year awards.

"I am pleased to nominate them based on their range of beers and ales, good food and their contribution to the local community by holding various events throughout the year.

"I now look forward to seeing the video they will put together to showcase the establishment and hopefully come out on top in the national awards later this year."

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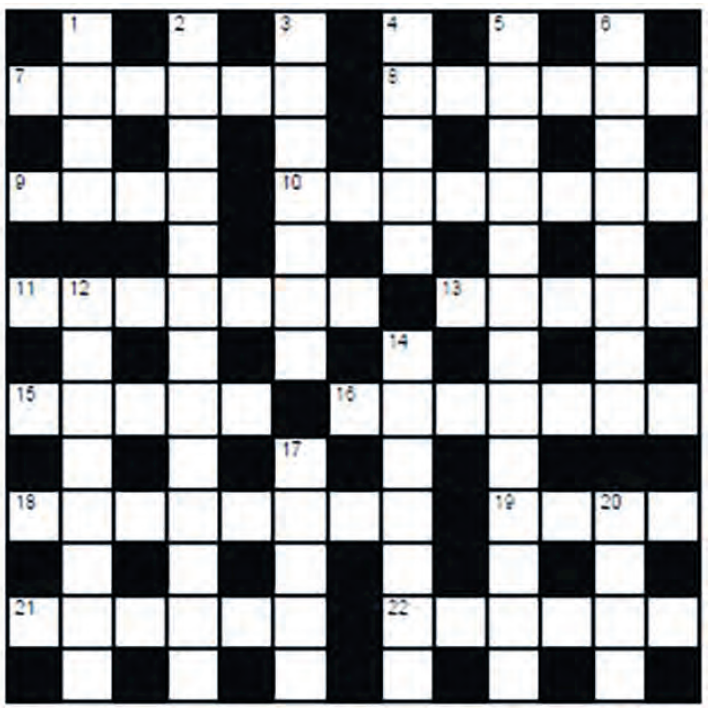

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Across: 7. Remote control. 8. Press-ups. 9. Axis. 10. Old hand. 12. Oddly. 14. Speed. 16. Barn owl. 19. Disc. 20. Indicate. 22. Feeding bottle.

Down: 1. Sear. 2. Borsch. 3. Beguine. 4. Joust. 5. Strand. 6. Son-in-law. 11. Lopsided. 13. Bad debt. 15. Escudo. 17. Nicety. 18. Tinny. 21. Tile.

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ACROSS

7. In folklore a mischievous, ugly, dwarf-like creature (6)
8. Men's neckwear item (6)
9. Toothed strip of plastic or metal used for untangling or arranging the hair (4)
10. Lacking respect, cheeky (8)
11. A type of paint or synthetic fibre (7)
13. The smallest amount, extent or significance (5)
15. With sound turned down or muffled (5)
16. Thick, hard-wearing twilled cloth with a short nap, usually dyed in dark colours (7)
18. Informal term for an important person or a fairground attraction (3, 5)
19. An assistant to an important person, especially a political leader (4)
21. Having a series of rows or layer one above the other, like a wedding cake for example (6)
22. Proper or fitting; conforming to accepted notions of propriety or good taste (6)

DOWN

1. Large, extinct flightless bird (4)
2. Informal system where men use positions of influence to help former school or university pals (3,3,7)
3. Make (someone) self-conscious and unable to act in a relaxed and natural way (7)
4. Range, extent (5)
5. Steam-powered boat (6, 7)
6. A white, tasteless substance used in medicine as an antacid and laxative (8)
12. A representation of a cross with a figure of Christ on it (8)
14. Short sword with a slightly curved blade, formerly used by pirates (7)
17. Thin and physically weak in appearance (5)
20. A valley, especially in northern England (4)

Masons' £4,000 grant to Air Ambulance

A GRANT of £4,000 to the North West Air Ambulance from West Lancashire freemasons has brought the total Masonic support given to air ambulances across the country to £2.4 million since 2007.

The Air Ambulance has made more than 676 lifesaving flights so far this year, transporting seriously injured people to hospital and treating patients on the ground.

The grant, which comes through the Masonic Charitable Foundation, is funded by freemasons and their families from across England and Wales.

Jennifer Barry, West Lancashire Regional Fundraiser at North West Air Ambulance said: "We are very grateful to West Lancashire freemasons for their continuing generosity. Without support like this the Air Ambulance would not be able to carry on flying and our life-saving work could not continue."

Tony Harrison, leader of West Lancashire freemasons added: "We are proud to be able to support the North West Air Ambulance.

"Thanks to the tireless efforts of their doctors and aircrew, many lives of local people are saved every year."

College featured on new TV food series

WEST Lancashire College has been used as a film location for an episode of a Channel 4 food series.

TV production company Optomem visited the college earlier this year looking for suitable premises for their new *Snackmasters* series and "were immensely impressed" by the facilities at the Skelmersdale venue, including the two training kitchens and The Works Restaurant.

Hosted by renowned Maître D' Fred Sirieix of the channel's *First Dates* programme, the new series started on Tuesday, October 1 while episode two, featuring West Lancashire College, was scheduled to air last night, (Tuesday, October 8) at 9.15pm.

In the episode two of the country's top chef's, Matt Worswick and Tristan Welch, compete to replicate the production of the popular *Monster Munch* snack produced by Walkers Crisps, in the college's two training kitchens, with the judging taking place in The Works Restaurant.

College principal, Denise Williamson, said: "This is a great opportunity for us to show off our world-class facilities and links us to two Michelin Star chefs.

"Following filming, chef Matt Worswick offered the chance for our Professional Cookery students to visit Latymer Restaurant in Surrey and take part in training at this prestigious restaurant which will be a fabulous experience."

Fred Sirieix visited West Lancashire College for an episode of new Channel 4 TV series *Snackmasters*.

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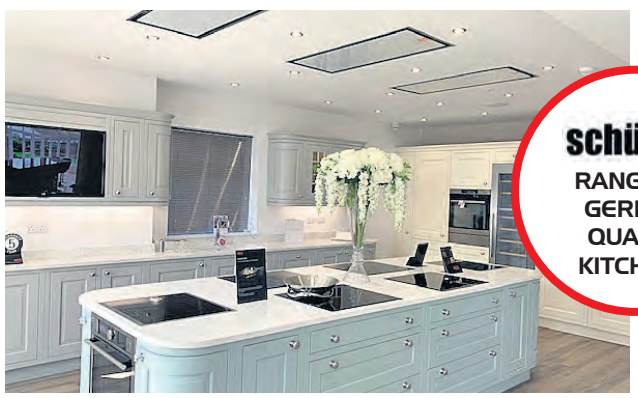

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Double joy for teenage karate ace Michael

A TEENAGE martial arts ace from Ormskirk is celebrating at the double after achieving black belt second dan status and being chosen to represent his country.

St Bede's Catholic High School pupil Michael Molloy, who first took up the sport at just five years of age, was awarded the grading following an assessment overseen by the Karate Union of Great Britain's chief examiner, 9th dan Andy Sherry.

And the 15-year-old is also looking forward to representing England at a European championship event in Denmark at the end of this month.

George Morrison, instructor at the Kirkby Shotokan Karate Club, where Michael trains, says he has worked hard and along with two of his teammates is unbeaten in national team competitions.

He said: "Michael has tried really hard to get the second dan and everyone at the club is very proud of him.

"Along with his club mates Bradley and Marcus Barker, he is part of a three-man team that has been unbeaten in British championships in team competitions for several years.

"Their latest triumph was at the GB open league event in Birmingham in August. Michael took first place in the under-16s Iippon Kumite and with his clubmates won the team event."

Michael has now been selected to fight for Kenshin Karate Organisation England in the World Union of Karate Federations European Championship in Denmark from October 24 to 27.

Michael Molloy after earning his second dan black belt with KUGB chief examiner, Andy Sherry (left) and senior examiner, Bob Rhodes.

Two taken to hospital following chip pan fire

TWO people were taken to hospital following a chip pan fire in Tarleton on Sunday, October 6,

Fire engines from Tarleton and Penwortham attended an address in Gorse Lane at 12.20pm following reports of a kitchen fire.

Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service stated: "The fire involved a chip pan and crews used two breathing apparatus and a positive ventilation. Two casualties - one suffering burns and the other smoke inhalation - were conveyed to hospital. Crews were at the scene for 50 minutes."

Community group appeal for new kitchen equipment

Volunteers who host free Christmas dinner for lonely over-50s seeking to raise £4,000

A TEAM of community volunteers who host a free Christmas dinner for lonely over-50s across Southport and West Lancashire have launched an appeal to raise £4,000 to buy kitchen equipment.

The group, named Cherish, is led by husband-and-wife team David and Pam Nickson.

Since 2012 they have hosted the three-course dinners for over-50s in the neighbouring areas who might be lonely on December 25 to enjoy food, friendship, companionship, help and support.

To date their equipment appeal has raised £935 but they need to hit their £4,000 target by Sunday, November 3 to enable it to be fitted and tested at their base at the OpenWell Life Centre in Southport in readiness for the festive season.

Pam said: "We run regular themed events and are about to start a fortnightly cafe. Food is at the heart of all the events we do and meals and events are provided free or at a subsidised cost.

"On Christmas Day we host a three-course meal with entertainment and gifts - all free of charge. This is growing - last year we had 40 guests - and we rely totally on the community, volunteers and local businesses to support the event.

"The group got its name when our guests said they 'cherished each other's company' and said it made them feel 'part of a family.'

"Over the years we have hosted many events without a permanent base but 2018 saw us move into our new 'home' at the OpenWell Life Centre. Although we have a kitchen, due to lack of equipment we have had to rely on outside caterers or do cold buffets for most events. But with the public's help we would be able to enhance our capability to support a growing number of beneficiaries throughout the year, particularly during winter.

"To help us achieve this we really need to purchase and install essential kitchen equipment, including an electric hob, dishwasher, hot water urn, soup kettle and sandwich maker.."

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Weigh to go Sue!

Slimming expert attends exclusive 50th anniversary event

A weight-loss Consultant is celebrating after attending an exclusive national slimming event hosted by the founder of Slimming World, Margaret Miles-Bramwell OBE.

Sue Allt, was part of the lucky 500 guests from across the UK and Ireland who won a place to attend Slimming World's special event: '50 amazing years, one very special day with Margaret Miles-Bramwell OBE', hosted at the East Midlands Conference Centre in Nottingham. The event was held to celebrate Slimming World's 50th golden birthday year*, and just 10% of the company's 5,000 Consultants were able to win a ticket in a ballot.

Sue, a Consultant for the Ormskirk and Skelmersdale Slimming World groups, was one of the lucky few to win a place. As part of the day sue, who became a Consultant in 2008, took part in a question and answer session with Margaret and heard how Slimming World has adapted to the changing world around us yet stayed true to its founding principles – a liberating, uniquely satisfying eating plan based on the concept of Free Food. And most importantly a passion for treating every member with genuine care, empathy and respect and putting them and their success at the heart of everything.

Sue says: "It was a real honour to attend the special day in Nottingham and I was so delighted to get a place, everything that's happened in Slimming World's golden birthday year has just felt extra-special! The day itself was so inspirational from start to finish. To have had the opportunity to meet Margaret and listen to her inspirational story was an experience I'll never forget. I left Nottingham brimming with inspiration and ideas to share with my members. There's no doubt the insight will enable me to improve the support I give to everyone who attends my Slimming World group each week, ensuring they get the best possible service and support to achieve their weight-loss dreams. It's great to be able to tell people in Ormksirk and Skelmersdale that Slimming World has been helping people achieve their weight-loss dreams for 50 years.
"Attending the event and being able to hear insights from the founder of Slimming World herself isn't just a triumph for me but also for the 1000's of members and Consultants in the West Lancashire area. They're the ones who make each group the success it is, with their fabulous energy, the warm welcome they give to new members and the wonderful compassionate support they show to each other every week. That's as well as their impressive weight losses while following Slimming World's Food Optimising eating plan and getting more active, of course, each week as members lose weight, I see them growing in confidence. I see them changing their health, becoming more active, trying out new foods and recipes and finding the courage to take on challenges that they've always dreamed of. Members who arrive at group with their self-esteem at rock bottom start to hold their heads high and stand tall as they lose weight successfully and are encouraged and supported to make changes by the rest of the group."

Like all Slimming World Consultants, Sue lost weight at a group herself and so knows just how valuable group support can be. Consultants receive in-depth training from the Slimming World Academy to help give their members the support they need to make long-term changes to improve their health and wellbeing as well as passing their new habits on to their family. Training includes the role of healthy eating and activity in weight management. Crucially, it also includes training in how to help members to lift the guilt and shame they may feel as a result of struggling with their weight and help them to form healthy lifestyle habits.

To join Sue's group/s, which are held every Monday In Ashurst centre Skelmersdale at 9am, 11am, 3.30, 5.30 or 7.30 and Ormskirk St Annes School Saturdays at 8.30. 10.30 or 12.30], either pop along or give Sue a call on 07817444580.

T orld's Golden Summer of Celebration visit www.slimmingworld.co.uk/golden

Another chance to find out more about adoption

LANCASHIRE Council is holding a special adoption information evening on Tuesday, October 15 as part of National Adoption Week (October 14 to 20).

The event, to be staged at County Hall, Fishergate, Preston, will run from 6 to 7.30pm and aims to help people who might be interested in adoption to find out about the process involved.

Following a short presentation, members of the county council's adoption team, including social workers, will be available to answer questions, talk people through the process and offer confidential advice.

There's no need to book - you can just turn up, but early arrival is recommended so that the presentation can start promptly at 6pm. People attending the information evening are also asked to stay for the whole session.

The council is focusing on two different types of adoption at the event, so that more babies and young children can go to live with their permanent family more quickly:

• Best for Baby (concurrent placements) places babies and young children, aged up to two, with foster carers who may go on to give them a permanent home.

• Better Beginnings (The fostering-for-adoption scheme) is for children where there is no realistic prospect of a return to their birth family.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, Lancashire's cabinet member for children, young people and schools, said: "We want to hear from people irrespective of their race, gender, sexuality, living arrangements, age or employment status. You can adopt as long as you are over 21, and live in Lancashire or close by.

"What is important to us are your personal qualities and that you are able to provide a loving home where you can support and look after a child throughout their childhood and beyond."

Best for Baby (concurrent placements) place a baby or child straight away with their prospective adopters, who are also approved as foster carers, while the birth family is assessed and the court makes a decision.

LANCASHIRE Council is holding a special adoption information evening as part of National Adoption Week (October 14 to 20). Photo posed by models.

Better Beginnings (foster-for-adoption) carers are approved as temporary foster carers, but are prepared to adopt the child, if it is eventually decided that they can't return to their birth family.

Arrangements through the Better Beginnings scheme can give children continuous care in the home that they may settle in permanently, rather than spending months with other foster carers first.

They also give the added benefit of allowing them to bond with their new family at an earlier age.

This scheme has been encouraged by the government over the last few years, across the country, as part of reforms to speed up the adoption process.

Adoptive parents are needed to come forward for children from young babies up to eight years of age, and particularly for the following groups: • children aged over four, either gender; • children with special needs, disabilities or unpredictable medical issues; • sibling groups; • mixed-heritage children of all ages.

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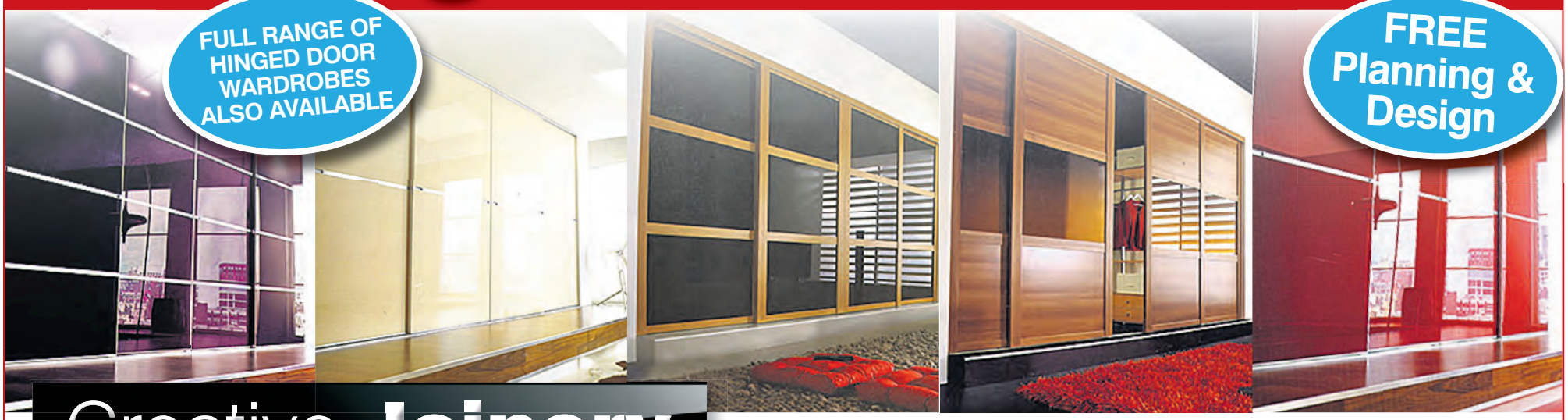

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Iconic production Les Misérables to open in city

THE iconic musical Les Misérables is opening at the Liverpool Empire tonight (Wednesday, October 9) and will be at the city venue until Saturday, October 26.

Killian Donnelly will play Jean Valjean, Nic Greenshields Javert, Katie Hall as Fantine, Martin Ball as Thénardier, Sophie-Louise Dann as Madame Thénardier, Harry Apps as Marius, Tegan Bannister as Eponine, Will Richardson as Enjolras and Bronwen Hanson as Cosette.

Killian Donnelly recently played the role of Jean Valjean in the West End production of Les Misérables. Prior to his run in Les Misérables, he played the role of Charlie Price in Kinky Boots on Broadway, a role he originated at the Adelphi Theatre in the West End in 2015, for which he was nominated for an Olivier Award.

Nic Greenshields most recently appeared in Young Frankenstein at the Garrick Theatre. His many other West End credits include Les Misérables at both the Queen's and Palace Theatres, The Phantom of the Opera at Her Majesty's Theatre, Billy Elliot at the Victoria Palace Theatre and Miss Saigon at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane.

Katie Hall's numerous credits include playing Cosette in this production of Les Misérables in 2009. She has also played the role at the Queen's Theatre and in the 25th Anniversary Concert of Les Misérables at The O2 Arena. Her other credits include Christine in The Phantom of the Opera at Her Majesty's Theatre in the West End and on tour, Johanna in Sweeney Todd at the London Coliseum and Maria in the national tour of West Side Story.

A scene from Les Misérables. Photo by Matthew Murphy

Martin Ball has previously appeared as Thénardier in Les Misérables at the Queen's Theatre. His other West End credits include Monsieur André in The Phantom of the Opera, Harry in Mamma Mia! and the original cast of Wicked.

Sophie-Louise Dann's many West End credits include Celia in The Girls at the Phoenix Theatre (Olivier Award nomination), Barbara Castle in Made in Dagenham at the Adelphi Theatre, Jolson at the Victoria Palace Theatre and Diana Divane in Lend Me a Tenor at the Gielgud Theatre, for which she was nominated for an Olivier Award.

Harry Apps makes his professional debut as Marius having successfully auditioned at the recent open auditions for the show.

Tegan Bannister's West End credits include Young Nala in The Lion King at the Lyceum Theatre and Les Misérables at the Queen's Theatre.

Will Richardson has appeared as Rum Tum Tugger in Cats and Rolf in The Sound of Music, both on international tour.

Bronwen Hanson has appeared in Broken Wings at the Theatre Royal Haymarket. While training her credits include Sally Bowles in Cabaret.

Since Cameron Mackintosh first conceived this new production of Les Misérables in 2009 to celebrate the show's 25th anniversary it has taken the world by storm.

This production inspired the hugely successful movie version starring Hugh Jackman, Anne Hathaway and Eddie Redmayne.

Based on Victor Hugo's classic novel, Boublil and Schönberg's score of Les Misérables includes the songs: I Dreamed a Dream, On My Own, Stars, Bring Him Home, Do You Hear the People Sing?, One Day More, Empty Chairs at Empty Tables, Master Of The House and many more.

Natalie McQueen (Doralee Rhodes), Louise Redknapp (Violet Newstead) and Amber Davies (Judy Bernly). Photo by Simon Turtle

Time 'flew by' watching 9 to 5 The Musical

Review by **Henry James**

DOLLY Parton's 9 to 5: The Musical started at a quick pace and did not relent throughout.

The show, which was at the Liverpool Empire last week, is based on the 1980s film of the same name.

It tells the story of a group of female office workers who gang together to teach their misogynistic and sexist boss a lesson.

The three female employees included: Violet Newstead (Louise Redknapp), Judy Bernly (Amber Davies) and Doralee Rhodes (Georgina Castle). The character closest to Parton is Doralee Rhodes and she played the part in the original film.

Parton may not be in the touring cast, but she appeared at different stages of the production through a video screen. At one point she even started off one of the songs.

Of course, the standout song of the show was 9 to 5, which was a number one hit for Parton in America and it was used throughout the night.

Louise was good in the lead role of Violet and was able to fully show off her singing and dancing skills in the song, One of the Boys. Her dancing skills earned her the runner-up spot in the 2016 series of Strictly Come Dancing.

One of the highlights of the show was Amber Davies's rendition of the number, Get Out and Stay Out, which was met with enthusiastic applause on the night I went to watch it.

Sean Needham is the hated boss Franklin Hart Jnr and he brought the right amount of comedy into the role.

However the show is all about the women, and the shift in power within the office.

The bright and colourful sets were worth a mention too and provided a welcome break from the dark autumn days.

The time flew-by quickly watching 9 to 5. 8/10

The West End Players gave 'a very creditable performance'

Review by **Ellen Campbell**

Murder On Cue
The West End Players

WRITTEN by Robin Jennifer Miller and produced and directed by Diana Draper and Wendy Aspin, Murder on Cue is a light hearted 'whodunit' set in Maple Lodge, a retirement home for actors.

In charge of the home is Sue (Angela Pitchers) worried that the council plans to close the home and having little financial resources to make the required Health & Safety alterations. Sue is ably assisted in the running of the home by Judy (Greta Wharton).

Having met up in various productions throughout their careers, the residents all know one another well enough to know about each other's foibles. Or think they do.

The action takes place on a winter's afternoon in the communal living room. The residents are cut off from the outside world after a prolonged snow fall so, when one of the occupants is found murdered, everyone realises it must have been an inside job. Which begs the questions, who could have done it and who might be the next victim?

Sybil (Jacquie Bolshaw), is queen of the divas, rude and haughty. She thinks she is far superior to the others. Her solicitor nephew, Gareth (Simon Hawkins), has called to see her about her will.

The cast of Murder on Cue. Photo by Ron Ellis

Desiree (Jan Husdell) is a rather ditzy, flighty character who has her eye on Charles (David Bolshaw). Dorothy Hughes plays the serious Molly, Linda Cunningham is Olivia and John Husdell does a mean impersonation of John Inman as Larry.

Poison pen letters soon have accusations flying and, with no chance of help from the outside world they need to try to solve the crime before the killer acts again. Acting the part has never been so crucial.

The West End Players are a small drama group affiliated to Lord Street West Church and they are to be complimented on the fine set and an enjoyable production.

Star rating. A very creditable performance. 7 out of 10

Former England cricket captain coming to Atkinson

Report by **Henry James**

DAVID Gower, one of England cricket's finest ever captains and players, is coming to the Southport Atkinson theatre on Tuesday, October 29.

Often described as one of the most stylish left handed batsmen of all time, the Sky Sports Cricket lead anchor will share his thoughts on this years' ICC Cricket World Cup and The Ashes.

Expect tales of Gower's own sporting career, from captaining his national team to victory in the Ashes to memories such as flying that Tiger Moth over Queensland.

He played 117 Test Matches and 114 One Day Internationals (ODI) scoring 8,231 and 3,170 runs respectively along the way.

He is England's sixth highest capped Test player and fourth highest Test run scorer of all time.

Now a broadcaster and journalist, David's main job was to present and commentate on Sky's coverage of international cricket and he and Sir Ian Botham retired after this year's Ashes series.

David spent five years as a commentator for BBC TV, also presenting Gower's Cricket Monthly and David Gower's Cricket Weekly on BBC 5Live.

During this time David was team captain opposite Gary Lineker on BBC TV's hit show They Think It's All Over. After two years as the Sunday Express cricket correspondent, and two more as a columnist for the Sunday Telegraph he then wrote a well-received column for the Sunday Times for 10 years.

On the Front Foot is David's debut solo theatre tour, following his hit joint tour with Chris Cowdrey in 2017, Gower, Cowdrey and the Holy Bail.

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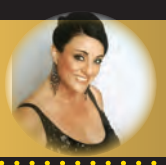

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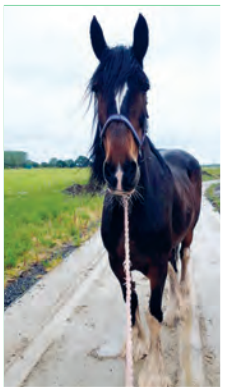

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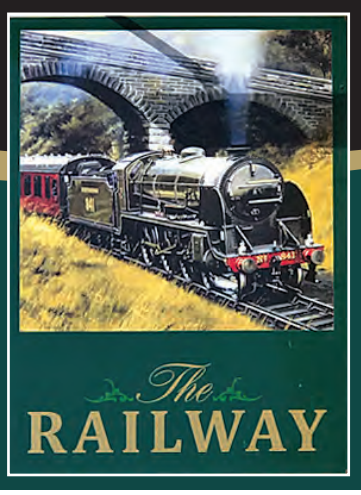

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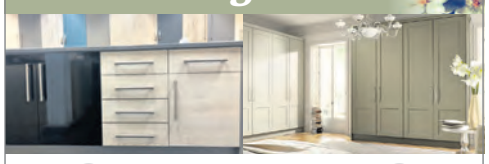

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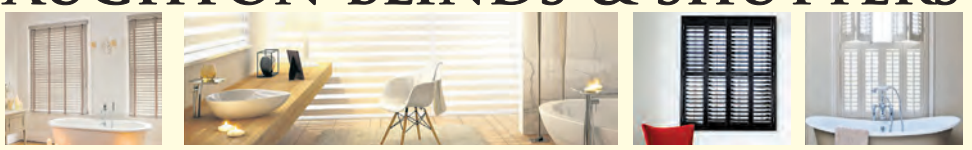

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DEATHS

WHITE MALCOLM JOHN

aged 71 years

The Funeral is at St Peters Church Mawdesley at 12 noon on Thursday 10th October 2019 followed by Committal at West Lancashire Crematorium at 1pm

All enquiries to Boltons Funeral Directors Tel: 01942 831262

DEATHS

MORGAN ANTHONY WILLIAM (TONY)

27th September 2019

Aged 52 years

Passed away peacefully after a long illness surrounded by his loving family. Loving Son of Margery and the late Gerald. Amazing Dad to Steph and Kristina. Devoted Grandad of Keira and Kalvin. Much loved Brother of Diane, Joanne and Brother in Law to Terry and Andrew. Cherished Uncle to all his Nieces and Nephews. Anthony will be greatly missed by all his friends and family. Funeral service to be held at Southport Crematorium on Monday 14th October at 12.40 pm. F . Donations if desired to Macmillan Cancer Support. Further enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone 01704 500086

HOLDING FIONA

Passed away unexpectedly in hospital on 2nd October 2019

Treasured Daughter of Eileen and the late Eric. Devoted and loved Partner of Arnold. Much loved Sister to Carolyn and Brother-in-law John. Dear Cousin to Wendy and Glyn and much loved by Arnold's girls. Our lovely Fiona will be greatly missed by family, friends and work colleagues at Boots the Chemist. F please. Donations in memory of Fiona to the British Heart Foundation. For details of funeral arrangements and donations, please contact M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport PR9 9TG. Tel. 01704 214118

DEATHS

LAWSON BARRIE

Passed away peacefully at home on 2nd October 2019 Aged 79 Years

A beloved Husband of Joan and a dearly loved Father, Grandfather and Brother. Funeral service at Mere Brow Methodist Church Friday 11th October 1.45pm followed by committal at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Burscough. F , donations if desired to Mere Brow Methodist Church and The Stroke Association. Further enquiries to

David Wilkinson Independent Funeral Directors, 311 Hesketh Lane, Tarleton, PR4 6RJ. Telephone 01772 811165.

WELSBY JEAN

(Nee Marriott)

Passed away peacefully 27th September 2019

Aged 79 years

Dearly loved Wife of Eric (Deceased), Much loved Mum of Ian, Roy, Diane and Carole. Special Nan to all her Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. Funeral Service at St Thomas' Church, Lydiate on Monday 14th October 2019 at 11.30 am, followed by committal at West Lancs Crematorium. F please, but donations if desired to the British Heart Foundation. All Enquires to Craven Funeral Directors, 44 Liverpool Road, Lydiate L31 2LZ. Tel 0151 531 7890

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DEWHURST LORRAINE
Née PEET

On 2nd October 2019.
Peacefully at
Queenscourt Hospice.
Aged 63 Years

Beloved Wife of Paul, Dearly loved Sister of Janet, Christine , Jackie and Robert, And a dear Sister in Law, Aunty, and Great Aunty.

Funeral service will take place at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 15th October at 11.20am

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request, Donations if so desired for Queenscourt Hospice. Donations and further enquiries please to M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG. Tel: 01704 214118.

SMITH CHRISTOPHER (CHRIS)

27th September 2019
Aged 51 years
"Reunited with
Dad and Gran"

Much loved Son of Anita and the late Donald. Brother of Andrew and Ian. Greatly missed by all his family and friends. Service at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Ormskirk, L40 7SP on Thursday 17th October at 10:45am. Donations are being collected in lieu of for North West Retriever Rescue. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

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KIRKLAND EDNA MAY

13th September 2019
Peacefully in hospital
aged 91 years

Has 'Gone to be with the Lord'. Treasured wife, for 50 years, of Manny (deceased). Greatly loved Mum of David and Stephen. Dear Mother-inLaw of Tricia. Loving Grandma of Kristen. and cherished 'big sister' of Jennifer, and her late brother Wal and sister Do. Dearly loved 'Aunty Ed', to her nieces and nephews. Will be sadly missed by all her family, relatives, and friends. Funeral Service will take place at her Kew Church, 64 Folkstone Road, Kew, Southport, PR8 SPH on 17 October 2019 at 2:30pm, followed by the Committal at Southport Crematorium.
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by request, but the family are grateful to receive donations for the Claire House Appeal, as Edna wished.
Further enquiries

Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street. Southport, PR8 SAJ. Tel: 01704 532106.

CAVE LOUISE

30th September 2019
Peacefully in Hospital surrounded by her loving family aged 43 Years.

She is dearly loved and missed by her Husband Simon, Son Harry, Mum & Dad Barbara and John, Sister Julie and by everyone who knew her. A celebration of Louise's life is to be held at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street Burscough on Friday 11th October 2019 at 1:00pm.
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please, donations in

gratefully received for Cancer Research UK. For all enquiries please contact Graham J. Clegg Funeral Services 7 Dover Road Maghull L31 5JB Tel 0151 520 3330

GREEN DAVID ARTHUR

September 26th 2019
Passed away peacefully
Aged 73 years

Dear Husband of Jennifer. Loving Dad of Katie and Derek. Father in law of Mark and Michelle & Grandad of Nicholas, Louise, Joseph and Darcey. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Cremation at Thornton Crematorium on Friday October 18th 2019 at 1.20pm followed by a service to celebrate his life at St Lukes Church, Crosby at 2pm.
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please. Donations if desired to Bloodwise c/o H. Leslie Humpheys 69 Liverpool Road, Crosby L23 5SE. Tel 0151 924 4805

MAWDSLEY JOHN

29th September 2019
With his family after a short illness

It is great sadness that we announce the passing of John. John was known well as John and Ben (The Collie) from Thornton, in and around Formby wood and beach area as he walked there for many hours daily for a number of years. He is survived by his four loving Children Simon, Graham, Anna and Peter, their Partners and

adored Grandchildren Liam, Luke, Erin, Sonny and Niamh. Service and cremation at Thornton Crematorium on Thursday 17th October at 2pm. All enquiries to H.Leslie Humphreys, 69 Liverpool Road, Crosby L23 5SE. Tel 0151 924 4805.

LINDSAY KINGSTON

September 30th 2019
Peacefully at home with his loving family around him
Aged 90 years

Much loved Husband of Nancy, loving Father of Malcolm, Andrea, Paul and Michelle. Dear Grandad of Lindsay, Michael, Dean & Lewis & Grandpa of Caleb Leila & Heidi. Service and Cremation at Thornton Crematorium on Wednesday October 16th 2019 at 1.20pm.

if desired donations to Macmillan Nurses. www.justgiving.com/fundraising/carl-mcintyre

PATRICIA DIXON (PATTY)

Passed away
29th September 2019
aged 102 years

Beloved Wife of the late Joseph. Much-loved Mum of Angela, Jennifer and her late son Francis. Mother-in-law of John, Peter and Vanda. Devoted Nana to all her Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. Patty will be sadly missed by all her family, friends and all who knew her. Requiem Mass at Our Lady of Compassion Church, Formby on Thursday 17th October at 12.00noon. Followed by Interment at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Ainsdale.
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please by request, but donations if so desired for St Joseph's Hospice c/o and all enquiries to Coyne Bros Funeral Directors, 3 Old Mill Lane, Formby, L37 3PE. Tel. 01704 873899

TOPPING MARJORIE

Passed away on
1st October 2019,
aged 95 years

Beloved Wife of the late Tom. Much loved Mum of Jackie. Loving Mother of the late Christopher. Loving Grandma to Victoria and Rebekah. Dear Sister to Jean and Mother in law to Jennifer and Chris. Marjorie will be loved and missed by all her family and friends. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 15th October 2019 at 1.20pm.
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please, but donations are being gratefully received by the family for Queenscourt Hospice . Requested by Marjorie please wear bright colours to celebrate her life. Further enquiries

Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ. Tel No: 01704 532106.

ROBERTS WILLIAM (BILL)

29th September 2019

Peacefully in hospital aged 90 years. Much loved Dad of Susan, Stephen, Michael and Malcolm. Dear Grandad to all his Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren. William will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Funeral service and committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Friday 11th October 2019 at 2.40pm.
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request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for The British Heart Foundation. Further enquiries please to

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DRAPER CHRISTINE (CHRIS)

27th September 2019
Peacefully in hospital
aged 66 years

Dearly loved Wife of Eric. Much loved Mum of Justine and Richard, loving Nan of Jessica, devoted Sister to the late John, Mac, the late Net and Lesley, cherished Auntie of Leon, Jenny, Christopher, Ellie and Jodie. Chris will be missed by all her family and friends. Funeral service to take place at West Lancashire Crematorium, Burscough on Monday 14th October 2019 at 11:30am.
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please, donations if desired for British Heart Foundation. All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & Co., Independent Family Funeral Directors of Skelmersdale, Ormskirk & Scarisbrick. Tel: 01695 722122/720012

ALLEN ALBERT GEOFFREY "GEOFF"

After a long illness passed away peacefully in hospital
30th September 2019
aged 90 years

Loving Brother of Tony and Barry. A much loved Uncle of David, Raymond, Carolyn, Robert and Paul. Geoff will be sadly missed by all his family, friends and all who knew him. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 15th October 2019 at 3.20pm.
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please, but donations are being gratefully received by the family for Alzheimer's Society.

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2nd October 2019
Aged 94 years

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2nd October 2019

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by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Alzheimer's Society.

Further enquiries

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CAROL

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FRANK

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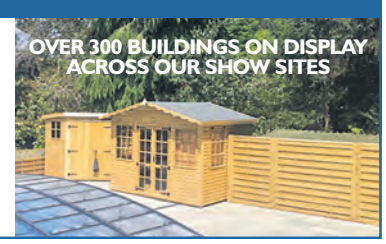

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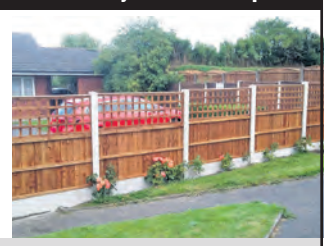

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Golf's niceties are now included as standard

VOLKSWAGEN has given its Golf range a revamp by introducing three new trim levels.

While the Match Edition, GT Edition and R-Line Edition each cost £400 more than the Match, GT and R-Line models they're replacing, VW says they come with gadgets and luxuries that would previously have cost an extra £1,910 when ordered individually.

The niceties now included as standard included two-zone climate control, heated seats and heated windscreen washers.

The cheapest of the trio is the Golf Match, with prices starting at £22,135 for the hatchback and £23,355 for the estate.

Right: VW is upping the price - and the equipment levels - of its latest Golf

Small cars like the Citroen C1 are less dependent on hybrid tech and more on small petrol engines

You'd like Tom Matano - he's a proper petrolhead

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NOT LONG ago I was lucky enough to be granted an audience with the chap who designed the original Mazda MX-5 – you know, the one with the pop-up headlights. Only, as it turns out, he never actually wanted it to have them because they added weight.

You'd like Tom Matano. He's a proper petrolhead who hates cars, in his own words, "designed by committees and market researchers", and has a soft spot for the Mini. He also reckons that ditching rev-happy, twin cam petrol engines for on-trend electric motors won't do the world's biggest-selling sports car a jot of harm – but only if the delicate handling isn't ruined in the process. Yet the one slightly depressing nugget of motoring wisdom that he shared with me is why all the other carmakers have stopped copying the MX-5's formula for small, simple, open-top sports cars – it's because the numbers no longer add up. There is no modern day MGF because it wouldn't be worth someone making it.

This exactly what we've already seen with a couple of other endangered automotive species. The Vauxhall Insignia and Ford Mondeo are just about keeping the family saloon on life support, the Renault Espace-sized MPV has been all but obliterated by its smaller rivals and crossovers, and the small, two-door coupe is dead. The MINI Coupe and the Honda CR-Z offered a glimmer of hope for the latter, but both neither sold brilliantly here, and have long since disappeared from the showrooms.

But now there could be an even more serious casualty – the small city car, and it's emissions regulations that are to blame. Because they're worked out on the average CO2 a carmaker's entire range puts out, it's much easier and cheaper to lower the amount of nasty gases coming out of a gas-guzzling larger model, and more palatable to convert them into plug-in hybrid of electric-only models. As a result, it's less profitable to make the smallest models – which is why the Vauxhall Viva, Ford Ka and Peugeot 108 are probably looking a tad worried by now.

Which is a real shame, I reckon, because it's usually a carmaker's titchiest offerings that are the most involving and least pretentious.

Given the choice between a Ferrari 488 Pista and a Citroen C1 and told to go out and spend a wet October morning on any of West Lancashire's narrow, bumpy roads, I'd pick the tiny French hatchback every time because you can use all of its power and grip, all of the time.

It's the same with the Volkswagen Up, Ford Ka and all of the other small cars in this sort of price bracket – the emphasis is on simple, lightweight tech and small petrol engines, and they're always somehow more satisfying than their heavy, hybrid hatchback bigger brothers.

As I see it there are only two solutions. Either the EU thinks up a different way of laying out its emissions regulations, or the only carmaker that can be relied upon to come up with brilliant small cars, time and time again, comes up with a tiny hatchback so stunning that everyone feels compelled to copy it.

The sort of ground-breaking car that sticks its fingers up at the management committees and market researchers, and gets a thumbs up from Tom Matano instead.

I sincerely hope someone at Fiat reads *The Champion*…

David Simister is the editor of Classic Car Weekly

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All Pumas come with hybrid version of Ecoboost engine

PRICES for Ford's new Puma – a five-door crossover that shares only its name with the 1990s coupe – will start at £20,845 when it goes on sale in January.

For that you'll get the Titanium-spec model, which includes a lumbar massage device in the front two seats, but for £22,295 you can have the First Edition model, which throws in luxuries like adaptive cruise control and a heated steering wheel. The range-topping model is the Puma ST-Line X First Edition Plus, which costs £27,345 and includes 19-inch alloy wheels and a panoramic roof.

All models come with a hybrid, one-litre version of Ford's Ecoboost engine, available with either 125bhp or as a more powerful 155bhp model.

Above: Ford will bring its new Puma here at the beginning of 2020

MG is cutting £3500 off the cost of its ZS EV electric model

Zero emissions version of MG's five-door crossover is out now

MG is encouraging eco-conscious drivers to give its first all-electric model a go by matching a Government grant with its own discount.

The ZS EV, a zero emissions version of its five-door crossover model, is now being offered from £21,995.

The offer means that MG is knocking £3500 off the car's price – the same amount the state-funded grant shaves off the purchase price – but it's being limited to 1000 cars across the UK.

Go to www.mg.co.uk or visit your nearest MG dealer to find out more.

Load-lugging version of BMW's 3-Series is available to order now - with a more powerful petrol model

BMW has just announced a new load-lugging version of its 3-Series, which is available to order now.

The cheapest version of the Touring – basically, a five-door estate – is the 320i, which has a 184bhp two-litre petrol engine and starts at £35,505.

There's also a more powerful petrol 330i model, three turbodiesel models and the range-topping M340i, which costs £50,055, and next summer there'll be an eco-friendly plug-in hybrid version too.

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2016	66	**SKODA YETI 2.0 OUTDOOR LAURIN AND KLEMENT TDI SCR 5D** 1 OWNER. F.S.H.	£13,975
2017	17	**MINI HATCH COOPER 2.0 COOPER S 5D** 1 owner, full mini dealership service history	£13,795
2015	65	**TOYOTA AURIS 1.8 VVT-I EXCEL HYBRID 5D AUTO** F.S.H and balance of Toyota warranty	£13,475
2018	68	**DACIA DUSTER 1.5 BLUE EDITION COMFORT DCI 5D** 1 owner, sat nav, full Dacia service history	£12,995
2016	16	**VOLKSWAGEN GOLF 2.0 GT TDI BLUEMOTION TECHNOLOGY 5D** 1 owner. F.S.H	£12,995
2016	66	**SKODA OCTAVIA 2.0 SCOUT 4X4 TDI DSG 5D AUTO** 1 OWNER. F.S.H.	£12,595
2014	14	**VOLKSWAGEN SCIROCCO 2.0 R LINE TDI DSG 2D AUTO** F.S.H.Sat nav,	£12,575
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2014	14	**LAND ROVER FREELANDER 2.2 SD4 GS 5D 4WD AUTO** F.S.H.	£11,995
2017	17	**SKODA YETI 2.0 OUTDOOR SE DRIVE TDI SCR 5D** 1 Owner. F.S.H.	£11,995
2014	63	**HONDA CR-V 2.2 I-DTEC SR 5D** F.S.H.	£11,975
2016	16	**VOLKSWAGEN GOLF 1.4 MATCH EDITION TSI DSG BMT 5D** 1 Owner. F.S.H.	£11,775
2012	62	**TOYOTA RAV4 2.0 XT-R VALVEMATIC 5D AUTO** F.S.H. Half leather,	£11,395
2015	65	**MINI HATCH COOPER 1.5 COOPER 5D AUTO** 1 owner. F.S.H,	£11,245
2014	64	**FORD S-MAX 2.0 TITANIUM TDCI 5D AUTO** 7 Seats. F.S.H	£10,795
2017	17	**RENAULT CAPTUR 1.5 SIGNATURE NAV DCI 5D** F.S.H.	£10,595
2014	64	**SKODA OCTAVIA 2.0 BLACK EDITION TDI CR DSG 5D AUTO** FSH	£10,295
2018	67	**MAZDA 2 1.5 SPORT NAV 5D** Fsh, sat nav.	£9,975
2015	15	**SKODA YETI 2.0 BLACK EDITION 4X4 TDI CR DSG 5D AUTO** F.S.H	£9,695
2016	16	**FORD FIESTA 1.6 ZETEC 5D AUTO** 1 Owner, F.S.H	£8,975
2014	64	**HONDA CIVIC 1.6 I-DTEC SR 5D** F.S.H, sat nav,	£8,475
2015	65	**MAZDA 2 1.5 SPORT NAV 5D** F.S.H, 1 Owner,	£8,375
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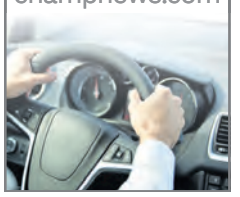

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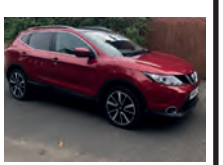

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Knight tops batting averages for Ormskirk while Hartley played starring role with ball

IT'S that time of the year when we take a look back at the players' league statistics in the 2019 Liverpool & District Competition, ***writes Glenn Wallworth.***

We start this week with a look at our featured clubs, champions Bootle, runners up Ormskirk, third placed Northern, fifth placed Formby and tenth placed Southport & Birkdale.

Wet weather over the summer played a huge part in the total amount of runs scored and wickets taken, as the final figures are well down on previous seasons.

Leading the way with the bat for Bootle was Will Hale with 484 runs @ 34.57 with a highest score of 103*. He was followed by Mike Farrell 349 @ 31.73 HS 79*, Danny Davies 339 @ 42.38 HS 65, Vishal Tripathi 297 @ 27.00 HS 86* and Sam Kershaw 277 @ 19.79 HS 83.

Their leading bowler was Will Purser with 47 wickets @ 12.79 with best bowling of 7-48, followed by Scott Butterworth 40 @ 13.68 BB 5-39, Jhangir Liaqat 35 @ 10.40 BB 5-30 and Keith Barker who only played a handful of matches but still took 25 @ 8.24 BB 9-22. In the field skipper Neil Williams took 39 victims behind the stumps, whilst in the field Tripathi took 12 catches and Hale 12.

Gary Knight led the way with the bat for Ormskirk with 586 @ 48.83 HS 100*, followed by George Lavelle 529 @ 29.39 HS 101, Alex Rankin 496 @ 31.00 HS 126*, Tyler McGladdery 480 @ 24.00 HS 77 and Tom Hartley 268 @ 22.33 HS 67*.

Their leading bowler was Hartley with 57 @ 14.02 BB 6-51, followed by Ryan Maddock 31 @ 17.77 BB 5-45, Scott Lees 27 @ 18.67 BB 4-24, Jamie Barnes 22 @ 12.36 BB 4-18 and skipper Nick Caunce 22 @ 16.14 BB 3-17. Knight took 27 victims behind the stumps, whilst Hartley led the way in the outfield with 14 catches whilst Maddock took 9.

Taylor Cornall led the way with the bat for Northern with 602 @ 40.13 HS 82, followed by Liam Grey 342 @ 22.80 HS 73*, Chris Laker 325 @ 23.21 HS 62 and skipper James Cole 255 @ 31.88 HS 70.

Once again Tom Sephton led the way with the ball with 67 @ 10.63 BB 7-62, followed by Grey with 31 @ 13.61 BB 4-18 and Danny Houghton 27 @ 16.37 BB 4-57. Cole took 27 victims behind the stumps, whilst in the field Cornall held 16 catches and Laker 10.

Sam Oldham led the way with the willow at Formby with 565 @ 40.36 HS 112*, followed by Ollie Sutton 395 @ 23.24 HS 59, James Seward 395 @ 28.21 HS 87, Tatenda Taibu 337 @ 21.06 HS 144*, Ben Aitchison 300 @ 30.00 HS 65* and Dave Atkinson 250 @ 16.67 HS 65*

Leading way with the ball was Aitchison with 29 @ 12.52 BB 5-35, followed by Sabbir Patel 19 @ 28.68 BB 4-19 and Sutton 18 @ 21.28 BB 3-15. Seward took 19 victims behind the stumps, whilst Taibu took a combined total of 13 behind the stumps and in the outfield and Aitchison took 8 catches in the field.

Will Affleck led the way with the bat for Southport & Birkdale with 487 @ 28.65 HS 73, followed by Isaac Lea 482 @ 26.78 HS 116 and Brad Yates 358 @ 18.84 HS 73. Gary Keedy was the pick of their bowlers with 59 @ 10.93 BB 8-25, followed by skipper Chris Firth 35 @ 15.94 BB 5-46 and Chris Cunningham 33 @ 16.73 BB 5-35. Yates helped himself to 22 victims behind the stumps, whilst in the outfield Adam Phillips took 13 catches and Andy Warhurst 9.

Next week we take a look back at the statistics involving Ainsdale and Fleetwood Hesketh in the First Division, plus some more news on players joining and leaving several clubs.

Wasteful Skem lose again to miss out on much-needed point

Skelmersdale United 0
Winsford Town 1

SKELMERSDALE United suffered a narrow defeat at home to Winsford United after wasting several chances to earn a point, *writes Simon Driscoll.*

Skem started the brighter with a run and low cross from Alex Griffiths drawing a low save from Matthew Green at the near post.

Winsford replied with a long range shot from Jack Lever which narrowly passed the post and minutes later, John Keatley went just as close at the other end.

A slight danger for Skem came on 18 minutes as Samuel Fitton's free-kick saw Ben Barnes parry but in doing so nearly fumble over the line before recovering the ball.

Barnes was called into action again a few minutes later as he denied Obi Anoruo from point blank range with the rebounded effort going wide.

Winsford were lucky not to go behind after an error from Green saw Richard Brodie collect the ball on the edge of the area but his choice to cross allowed Green to get on his line to save.

At the other end, another fine save from Barnes saw him deny Darcy O'Connor who had collected a Samuel Marshall pass.

Skem had a great chance to open the scoring within three minutes of the restart as a long pass from Tom Croughan saw Griffiths head into the path of Brodie, who was denied a flick at goal by superb defence. Winsford replied rapidly with an Anoruo counter, finding Marshall and Wealth Da Silva who forced a low save from Barnes.

Skem and Winsford battle for the ball. Picture by John Driscoll

The deadlock was to be broken as a looping cross from Anoruo found Daniel Thomas free at the far post who headed past Barnes for 1-0.

Substitute Sam Madeley threatened to double the lead as he raced down the wing before cutting inside and sending a shot achingly across the Skem goal before a clever turn on the edge of the area saw Brodie find the grasp of Green with a shot.

The final chance of the afternoon went to Skem as a long throw into the area from Marvin Molyneux found Jack Grimshaw whose turn and shot cannoned off a defender and forced Green to tip the ball around the post.

The final whistle minutes later left United to reflect on a game the could have claimed at least a point from with a number of chances across the afternoon.

McNally: 'We have dropped our standards'

SKELMERSDALE United manager Paul McNally claims his side have "dropped our standards" over the past few games.

The side will go in search of some recent lost form this Saturday when they travel to Runcorn Town, having won one and lost four of the their last five games.

Manager McNally said: "We have dropped our standards in the last couple of weeks, work rate levels, performance levels, just overall they have just dipped. Maybe we just need to go back to basics and stick everything back the way it was earlier in the season."

Skem are in danger of being sucked into a relegation fight as they are now only four points above bottom placed Litherland Remyca.

Runcorn Town certainly have a beatable look about them. They are one place and two points above Skelmersdale in the league and have only scored 13 league goals this season.

Keedy retires after five successful years

SOUTHPORT & Birkdale's Gary Keedy is to retire from cricket.

The former Yorkshire, Lancashire, Nottinghamshire and Surrey spinner was instrumental in the club's promotion to the top flight in 2018 and maintaining their status in 2019.

During his two seasons at Trafalgar Road he took a total of 117 wickets at an average of 10.21 BB 8-25 v Colwyn Bay 2019, his efforts both on and off the pitch will be sorely missed by all at the club, as his wicket taking on the pitch was matched off it in his role as coach to the varying age groups at junior level.

Before joining S&B he spent three seasons at Formby (2015-2017) where he took 162 wickets @ 13.95 BB 7-10 vs Ainsdale in 2017, his departure from league cricket is sad to see as players of his ilk are becoming a rare breed these days.

I and many others I know would like to wish him well in his deserved retirement from the game that he has served so well.

Linnets beaten by local rivals after second half comeback

Burscough 1
Charnock Richard 2

BURSCOUGH threw away a one-goal lead to lose the 'Parbold Hill Derby' against Charnock Richard, ***writes Neil Leatherbarrow.***

The Linnets took the lead against their local rivals in the 19th minute but after missing a number of chances they conceded in 56 and 79 minutes and were unable to find an equaliser in a game that many would argue they deserved something out of.

Burscough struck on 19 minutes. A poor clearance from a corner saw the ball delivered back into the penalty area, where Chris Lomax took possession and he beat one defender and held off another as he progressed to goal before slipping the ball neatly past Charnock Richard goalkeeper Jake Eastwood to make it 1-0 to Burscough.

In the second half, a Charnock Richard free-kick from the left hand side took a deflection and the ball ran into the goalmouth, Darr got a touch from close range and it was 1-1.

Although Burscough continued to attack, Charnock Richard were posing a threat themselves and almost immediately Darr was only kept out when his header hit the post. Ten minutes from the end Charnock Richard won a free-kick about 25 yards from goal, defender Spencer Bibby stepped forward and his direct shot took a deflection as it passed the Linnets defensive wall taking the ball well out keeper Jones reach, giving the visitors a 2-1 lead.

The Linnets were better in attack than last week but still lacked in the goal scoring stakes.

Burscough are without a match this weekend, and return to action on Tuesday, October 15 against Runcorn Town. Kick off is 7.45pm.

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